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JAPANESE AIR ARMADA SMASHED UP

JAPS TAKEN BY SURPRISE

Enemy Thrown Back Several Kilometres In Sudden Thrust On Positions

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.

General MacArthur, by a sudden attack, has captured a number of Japanese advance positions in the Baatan Peninsula, says a War Department 'communique' today. The Japanese were forced to withdraw several kilometres on the American right flank.

GUERILLAS ACTIVE.

The 'communique' says:—

PHILIPPINE THEATRE:—In a surprise thrust General MacArthur's troops in Bataan attacked sharply all along the line capturing a number of the enemy's advanced positions. The attack was particularly successful on the right where forward elements of Japanese troops were forced to withdraw several kilometres. Fighting is still is progress with continued local successes, but the main positions of the enemy have, however, not been penetrated.

Information reaching General MacArthur from central and northern Luzon indicates that small bodies of American and Philippine troops are continuing to harass the Japanese in Guerilla fighting with considerable success. Desultory patrol action is reported from Mindanao where invading troops have been reinforced by a detachment of Japanese Marines.

There was nothing to report from other areas".

Thai Air Base Raided

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

In Kunming Colonel Chennault, the Commander of the American Volunteer Group of the Chinese Force, announced yesterday that the American bombers raided an enemy air base in Thailand early yesterday morning, destroying three bombers, according to the Chungking radio. The announcement added that at least two fighters were also destroyed on the ground during the raid.

Late News

SPOTLIGHT ON INDIA

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Japan's threat to Rangoon has turned the spotlight on India.

The quest has started to find out if India possessed any Quislings; Mr. Goodall in the "Daily Express" declares, "There are no Quislings in India".

Mr. H. N. Brailsford in the "Reynolds News" and the Editor of the "New Statesman and Nation", however, contend that one must not shut his eyes to this internal danger, and they warn the public against wishful thinking.

The latest assurance of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru that India will fight against any invader has greatly helped public opinion in this country to appreciate the Indian situation in its correct perspective.

AIRCRAFT OVER DUBLIN

DUBLIN, Feb. 26.

The Government Information Bureau announce to-day that "unidentified aircraft flew over Dublin at midday to-day. Ground defences were in action".—Reuter.

PUNJAB HARTAL CALLED OFF.

LAHORE, Feb. 27.

The Working Committee of the Punjab Beopar Mandal has decided to call off the hartal and Satyagraha. The Committee passed the following resolution at its meeting held to-day:—

"The Working Committee of the Punjab Beopar Mandal appreciates the sacrifices and the sense of self-discipline exhibited by the beoparis of the Punjab in their struggle against the Punjab General Sales Tax Act. It thanks the public and the press for the support and sympathy shown to the beoparis without which the fight could not have been so splendid as it has been. In view of the present state of affairs in the province the Working Committee, whilst reserving to itself the fullest right to continue their agitation against this unjust law, decides that the hartal and satyagraha be called off".—A. P.

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Crucial Stage In Battle Of Rangoon

ALL OUT ENEMY DRIVE ON LAND AND AIR

MacArthur's Surprise: Battle Of Java Gathers Momentum

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

Twenty-one Japanese planes were destroyed this morning in air battles over Rangoon. This is announced in an R.A.F. 'communique' in Rangoon.

The Army Headquarter's 'Communique' says that on the southern front no contact was made, though enemy troop movement has been reported.

Enemy troops are still to be seen moving north along the east bank of Sittang river.

On the northern front there is nothing to report.

ARMY UNITS IN ACTION

RANGOON, Feb. 26.

To-day's Army Headquarter's 'communique' released at 7 p.m. states:—

"On the southern front, no contact with the enemy is reported. Enemy troops are stated to be moving north, along the east bank of the Sittang river.

The units engaged in recent fighting were:—

BRITISH:—The Duke of Wellington's Regiment and the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry:

BURMESE:—The Burma Sappers and Miners, the Burma Rifles and the Burma Army Service Corps:

INDIAN:—The Indian Artillery, the Indian Signal Corps, the Jat Regiment, the Baluchi Regiment, the Dogra Regiment, the Frontier Force Regiment, the Gurkha Rifles, the Indian Army Services Corps and the Indian Hospital Corps.

On the northern front, there is nothing to report.

MANDALAY:—The R. A. F. and A. V. G. scored the biggest *aerial victory in the Japanese* war when they shot down at *least 27 with 7 probables in a* Japanese mass attack on Rangoon yesterday. It is unofficially stated that Japanese bombers, flying in close formation escorted by fighters approached the city just before noon. It was the biggest formation yet seen in Burma and it was evident that the Japanese were all out to deal a crippling blow to Rangoon.

As they approached the drone of Hurricanes and Tomahawks could be heard intermingling with the roar of Japanese engines. The R. A. F. and A. V. G. tore into the Japanese making straight for the bombers who promptly broke up formation. Countless dogfights ensued of which little could be seen as they occurred at about four miles height, but a number of Japanese planes could be seen screaming dizzily to earth caught by the deadly fire of our fighters.

No details are yet available of the exact strength of the Japanese formation and the damage caused by the raid, but that it is a definite failure with the Japs suffering entirely disproportionate losses is certain.

"BACK TO WALL" FIGHT

The Associated Press special correspondent with the Allied forces in Burma writes:—

British and Imperial troops defending the Sittang river line have been reinforced for the next and crucial stage of the battle of Rangoon, seventy miles away to the south-west.

Resistance along the Bilin river, which has now been abandoned, gave time for fresh units to be flung into line for the "back to the wall" defence of the city alongside the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, the Baluchis and the Gurkhas who have hitherto borne the brunt of the fighting. The Queen's Own West Yorks are now among those playing their part.

The Japanese are evidently preparing for an assault on the Sit-

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ENEMY PLANES SHOT OVER LOS ANGELES

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.

Unidentified planes, possibly as many as fifteen, which may have been operated by enemy agents were fired on by army anti-aircraft guns over Los Angeles yesterday, according to the Secretary of State for War, Mr. Stimson.—Reuter.

'INVITE NEHRU TO FORM GOVERNMENT'

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The Secretary of State for India, Mr. Amery was asked by the Labourite, Mr. Sorensen in the Commons on Thursday whether he had any further statement to make on the proposals of Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, whether any recent steps had been taken to ascertain Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's views on the matter, and what representations on Chinese and Indian relationships and common aspirations have been received by the British Government. Mr. Amery replied "the answer to the first two parts of the question is in the negative. The recent visit of General Chiang-Kai-Shek to India enabled a full exchange of views to take place between him and the Viceroy. You have no doubt seen in the Press the text of very cordial messages exchanged between the Generalissimo and the Viceroy on the former's departure from India."

Mr. Sorensen: Do you feel it would be of some value to communicate with both Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and Pandit Nehru on such matters and when will these and similar matters be debated in the House?

Mr. Amery: All these matters will shortly be debated in the House.

Mr. Sorensen: What is the answer to the first part of my supplementary question?

Mr. Amery: Pandit Nehru's views have been very freely made public.

The Communist Mr. Gallacher: Will you consider inviting Pandit Nehru to form a Government for the Defence of India?

No answer was returned.—Reuter.

CRIPPS TO BE CHURCHILL'S NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOUR

LONDON, Feb. 26.

The Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House of Commons Sir Stafford Cripps is to have his offices at 11, Downing Street next door to the Prime Minister. He has as his Parliamentary Private Secretaries Mr. Gerald Palmer, Conservative M.P. for Winchester and former Private Secretary to Earl Baldwin and Mr. George Strauss, Labour M.P. for North Lambeth.—Reuter.

"CONGRESS MUST BE APPEASED"

British Press Demand

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Sir Stafford Cripps' reference in the Commons yesterday foreshadowing an early Government decision about India gives rise to a discussion on India in the British Press this morning.

The "Daily Telegraph" says "the political situation in India is a serious source of weakness and misgiving, nothing that might reasonably be expected to improve it should remain untried. If we do not appease the Congress, we invite the certainty of major revolts. That is our dilemma. Enfeebling discords survive and it must be the major objective of British statesmanship to seek the means of rallying all India to a wholehearted co-operation in the common effort."

INDO-BRITISH—HINDU-MUSLIM FRONT.

The "Times" says that the Japanese threat to India through Burma "makes an early solution however provisional of the Indian political problem imperative. Indian opinion with insignificant exceptions is united on the main issues of this war. The Indian army has done nobly in many campaigns. The purpose—the achievement of full self-Government in India—is common to the British and Indian peoples and, since the purpose is one and the stake in the war is identical for both, the difficulties in war of accomplishment, real as they are, must be made to yield. Indian war effort has been impressive. But none can doubt that it would have attained far larger dimensions if official and public attention in India had not been occupied with the country's political future.

It is time and more than time for the new British move foreshadowed again by Sir Stafford Cripps in the House of Commons yesterday to dissipate suspicions and meet the Japanese advance by the formation of a common Indo-British Hindu-Moslem front against the common danger".—Reuter.

MR. GADGIL ARRESTED

M. P. C. C. Chief Removed To Yeravda Jail Under Defence Rules

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Feb. 26.

Mr. N. V. Gadgil, President of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee was arrested this evening under Defence of India Rule No. 26) Rules and was taken to Yeravda Jail.

In a message to his co-workers Mr. Gadgil pleads for carrying on the constructive work of the Congress till the goal of Independence is reached.

"C. R." COMMENDS RESERVE

MADRAS, Feb. 26.

"I have no political news to give or comments to make", observed Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar interviewed by Press representatives on his return to Madras from Wardha.

He said that he had had some talks on politics with Mahatma Gandhi, but that was only by way of comparing notes and there was nothing to report.

Asked whether the Congress was likely to accept Dominion Status if it was conferred on India at present, Mr. Rajagopalachariar said:

"I would beg newspaper correspondents not to anticipate anything or precipitate reactions. There are certain occasions in the history of political events and national movements, when reserve would be helpful".—A. P.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR MUSLIM WOMEN

In connection with the Training Camp for women which is being opened in Abrama in Surat District next month, it is reliably understood that ten scholarships have been offered to Muslim women who desire to join the camp. Two scholarships have already been offered from Sind for two Sindhi women.

China Solution For India

Three Definite Points For Consideration

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

Commenting on the question of Indian freedom, the Chinese official organ proposed three definite considerations to the United Nations, says the Chungking radio.

FIRST:—The people of India must bear in mind that the present war is a general war against aggression, and that India, like the other United Nations, must be prepared to pay a high price for her freedom:

SECOND:—The people of India must stand together as one man; and

THIRD:—The British Government and people will bring their traditional statesmanship and characteristic adaptability to circumstances by working out without hesitation a scheme under which to deal with all important questions in the same manner as they have done in the case of Canada, Australia, South Africa, New Zealand and Northern Ireland.—A P

As smallpox shows signs of spreading in Bombay city, the public are advised to have themselves vaccinated at once.

"I'LL FINISH LEGISLATURE AND SMASH LAHORE"!

District Magistrate Insults M. L. A. And Press

HIGH COURT SETS ASIDE BAN ON NEWS: BUT GOVERNOR ORDERS BLACK-OUT

LAHORE, February 26.

The Governor of the Punjab, under Sub-Rule (1) of Rule 41 of the Defence of India Rules, has ordered all printers, publishers and editors in the Districts of Lahore and Amritsar to submit in duplicate, before publication, any matter relating to the Beopar hartal against the tax levied under the Punjab General Sales Tax Act 1941 and police action taken against processionists or persons otherwise assisting or taking part in the hartal, to the Special Press Adviser, Lahore, and not to publish the same until he has given his approval.

The Full Bench of the Lahore High Court consisting of the Chief Justice, Sir Douglas Young, Mr. Justice Bhide and Mr. Justice Munir set aside the order of the District Magistrate of Lahore under Section 144 Cr. P.C. served on the "Tribune" restraining it from publishing any article of whatever kind concerning the 'hartal' against the Sales Tax or action taken against processionists.

Shortly after passing the order on the "Tribune" the Full Bench passed orders setting aside the District Magistrate's action taken under Section 144 Cr. P.C. against the "Milap", the "Pratap" and "Vir Bharat".

THREAT TO TRADERS

When counsel for the traders arguing their petition praying for setting aside the order of the District Magistrate threatening to break open their locks, the Advocate-General gave an assurance that it was not an order but only a warning given in a 'Communique'. If the Government were to take action in this respect they would do so under a specific order issued to individual shopkeepers concerned.

In view of this assurance Their Lordships passed orders that no action against the shopkeepers regarding the breaking locks would be taken on this general 'Communique' and if any action was to be taken against any shopkeeper individual separate order would have to be issued.

LAHORE MAGISTRATE'S OUTBURST

(From A Correspondent)

LAHORE, February 26.

The following affidavit was filed by Sjt. A. C. Bali of the 'Tribune' and Sjt. Virendra, M.A., Managing Director 'Partap', Lahore:—

We hereby declare and say that Mr. Henderson, District Magistrate, Lahore, caught hold of Mian Iftikharuddin, M.L.A., President, Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, by the shoulder and addressed him and the undersigned and several other respectable gentlemen who were present on the occasion of ladies' demonstration outside General Post Office yesterday afternoon in the following words:

D. M. "Who are you?"

A voice: "He is an M.L.A."

D. M. "I will finish your Assembly in a day and I will smash Lahore tonight; you have no business to be here."

Mian Sahib: "What do you want me to do?"

D. M. "You are under arrest".

He asked the police to take hold of him.

He then caught hold of Mr. Virendra, M.A., and asked him who he was. When Mr. Virendra replied that he represented the 'Partap', the D. M. said: "You are also arrested."

The next man whom he caught personally was Mr. A. C. Bali of the 'Tribune.' Mr. Bali told him that he must know that he was dealing with the Press.

D. M. "I do not care for the Press. You all must go to prison."

Next to Mr. Bali was standing Mr. Hukam Chand of the A.P.I. who was also told by the D. M. that he, too, was under arrest. While all of them were being marched off to the prison van, the D. M. told Mr. Hukam Chand not to publish a single line without his permission. Then a minute after we saw the Police let loose on the peaceful crowd which was chased in all directions before we were put in a lorry and taken away to the Fort. We saw the lathi charge on the crowd and some of the ladies who were screaming and running away out of fright. We also saw two young men writhing with pain on the ground.

So long as we were there, about 10 minutes after the first lathi charge, the behaviour of the crowd was absolutely peaceful and no provocation whatsoever was given to the police. The crowd was about three thousand and consisted of women as well as men.

In our presence before resorting to the lathi charge no order declaring the crowd to be unlawful assembly was pronounced either by the D. M. or by any other official. The policemen present were between two to three hundred.

158 Traders Arrested

LAHORE, Feb. 26.

A hundred and fiftyeight traders were arrested in Lahore this afternoon in connection with the traders' Satyagraha campaign against the General Sales Tax.—A. P.

14 Detenus To Be Released

PATNA, Feb. 26.

It is announced that the provincial Government propose to release fourteen detenus from custody and to refer the cases of the remaining 28 to the Hon. Mr. Justice Dhavle.—A. P.

Gen. Wavell In Air Accident

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.

Mr. Stimson revealed that General Wavell was in Singapore within 36 hours of its fall and sustained a broken rib in a plane mishap when leaving.—Reuter.

Governors To Meet Viceroy

Search For Way Out Of "Impasse"

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

Two Governors—Madras and Orissa—are now in New Delhi on a visit to the Viceroy. More are expected to come in the next ten days for similar conferences in connection with the present situation.

Lobby talk reveals that the Governor of Madras met Mr. Jinnah at lunch party and had a talk with him. As the prospect of Congress-League agreement is regarded remote, alternatives under discussion are the addition of non-official advisers or the appointment of irremovable executive Councils with the existing legislatures. The latter appears to be more or less certain.

It is understood that no less than three Indian members of the Viceroy's Council have expressed inability to go to London for the War Cabinet.

INDIAN MINISTER TO CHINA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

The appointment of a China Relations Officer and the expected appointments of Chinese and Indian representatives to Delhi and Chungking with the local rank of Minister on the lines of existing arrangements between Delhi and Washington are among the first fruits of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's recent visit to India.

Sir Edward Cook, who will hold the post of China Relations Officer in the first instance, has held the posts of Finance Secretary, Government of India, Financial Adviser, Government of Siam, and Governor of the Bank of Egypt.

It is understood that the China Relations Officer will work in close communication with the External Affairs Department of the Government of India and will be mainly concerned to arrange and maintain contacts between the Chinese officers stationed in Calcutta and the interested Departments of the Central and Provincial Governments.

In Middle East

BENGHAZI AND TRIPOLI RAIDED

CAIRO, Feb. 26.

To-day's Middle East "communique" states; "Sandstorms have continued to hamper operations both on land and in the air. Our fighting patrols and columns were again active but a ground mist limited visibility and contact was only occasionally made with small parties of the enemy."

RAIDS ON BENGHAZI AND TRIPOLI.

ROME, Feb. 26.

To-day's Italian "communique" reports patrol activities in Cyrenaica and says that Axis planes attacked enemy lines of communication between Tobruk and Sidi Barrani. Three Willingtons were shot down by anti-aircraft defences at Derna. The naval base and aerodrome at Halfar and Lucca, on Malta were bombed. The enemy carried out night raid on Benghazi and Tripoli but there was no appreciable damage and there were no casualties.—Reuter

EARL OF SELBORNE DEAD

LONDON, Feb. 26.

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TRAIN SERVICES FROM BOMBAY On and from SUNDAY, 1st March, 5 Dn. Kathiawar Mail will leave Bombay Central at 6 p.m. and arrive Ahmedabad at 4-15 a.m. Viramgam at 7-10 a.m.

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NOTICE.

(Under sections 64 & 65 of the District Municipal Act, 1901).

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Assessment Lists of the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality for the year 1942-43 have been completed and published and are open for inspection at the Municipal Office at Ghatkopar during office hours on all working days.

Any person claiming to be either owner or occupier of any property included in the lists and any agent of such person shall be at liberty to inspect the lists and to take extracts therefrom without any charge.

If any such owner, occupier or representative has any objection to this assessment, he or she should send his or her objection in writing to the undersigned within ONE MONTH of the date of this notice after which term no application will be considered.

(Sd.) N. G. LAKHPATWALA,
Chairman,
Managing Committee,
Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office, Ghatkopar,
26th February, 1942. (7512)

FINE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE INVESTORS FOR SOUND INVESTMENT IN LAND.

KALUPUR RELIEF ROAD SCHEME.

AHMEDABAD MUNICIPALITY

Re: Disposal of free-hold Plots on the Main Arterial Road.

THE GENERAL PUBLIC, are, hereby, informed that a Public Auction for sale of nicely situated plots on the Relief Road will begin from Wednesday, 4th March, 1942. The attention of the public is, particularly, invited to the permanent advantage that these plots are of FREE-HOLD TENURE AND SUBJECT TO NO ASSESSMENT BY THE GOVERNMENT. Any kinds of buildings including Office Buildings, Shops, Residential Flats, places of Public Entertainments can be constructed subject to special regulations. Full facilities will be afforded to the prospective builders to put good buildings on these sites.

The Relief Road Office in the Municipal building will provide all the information re: the plots conditions of auctions, building regulations, etc. Arrangement will, also be made to show the plots on site upon request.

The Auction of plots of Section No. V will be held on the above date near Krishna Cinema, at 9-0 A.M. in the morning.

D|-24-2-42.

(Sd.) S. P. SHAH,
Ag. Chief Officer,
Ahmedabad Municipality
Relief Road Office,
Ahmedabad Municipality. (7503)

Public Notices

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

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YOUR holding of Government Securities will be safest in present conditions if converted into Stock The Public Debt Office will gladly exchange your Promissory Notes for Stock Certificates free of charge. Interest will then be paid by warrants which will be issued automatically on the interest payment dates without the necessity of personal attendance or presentation of scrip. These warrants can be made payable at any local office of the Reserve Bank or branch of the Imperial Bank or Treasury or Sub-Treasury in British India, and can be sent to you or your banker direct. Stock can be re-converted into Government Promissory Notes at owner's option at any time, and to meet the convenience of the public the fee leviable for re-conversion will be waived. 7513

MINERVA MILLS, LTD.

LOST OR MISLAID.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificates Nos. 22218 & 22219 of the above Company, standing in the name of the late Mr. Mandayam Tondanoor Sreenivasa Iyengar of Bangalore, have been LOST or MISLAID. Any claim in respect of the said shares should be made to us at the Registered Office of the Company, 70 Forbes Street, Fort, Bombay, within 15 days from the date of this Notice, failing which duplicates of the Share Certificates will be issued.

For Minerva Mills, Ltd.,
N. SIRUR & CO., LTD.,
Managing Agents,
V. N. CHANDAVARKAR,
Managing Director.
Bombay, dated 27th February, 1942. (7480)

THE CITY OF BOMBAY MUNICIPAL ACT, 1888,

AS MODIFIED UP TO DATE.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 297 (1) (b) of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888, as modified up to date, that the undersigned proposes to apply to the Municipal Corporation at their Meeting to be held on the 9th day of April, 1942, or on such day thereafter as the said application can conveniently be disposed of, for authority to prescribed fresh lines in substitution for the existing regular lines of the streets in respect of each of the following streets namely,

(1) HARVEY ROAD BETWEEN BABULNATH 1ST CROSS ROAD AND CHOWPATI ROAD AT THE NORTH-WEST JUNCTION OF CHOWPATI ROAD AND HARVEY ROAD ON C.S. NO. 1|407, AT THE SOUTH-EAST JUNCTION OF CHOWPATI ROAD AND HARVEY ROAD ON C.S. NO. 1528 AND AT THE SOUTH-EAST JUNCTION OF HUGHES ROAD AND HARVEY ROAD ON C.S. NO. 1529.

(2) AT THE JUNCTION OF NARAYAN DABHOLKAR ROAD AND HARKNESS ROAD.

(3) MATHARPAKHADI CROSS ROAD BETWEEN GUNPOWDER ROAD AND MATHARPAKHADI ROAD.

A plan of each of the said public streets showing the existing regular lines of the streets and the fresh lines proposed to be prescribed in substitution therefor as aforesaid, is deposited at the office of the City Engineer, Municipality, and can be inspected by any person desiring to do so, at any time during office hours.

Every person desirous of making any representation to the Corporation or of bringing before the Corporation any objection respecting the said proposal may do so, by letter addressed to the Municipal Secretary at the Municipal Office, and delivered at the said office not less than three clear days before the day of such meeting.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1942.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner
for the City of Bombay. (7526)

Public Notices

TENDERS FOR PAPER & STATIONERY.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for the supply of papers for the Press and stationery articles for the use of Government offices for one year from 1-8-1942 to 31-7-1943.

Tenders should reach the undersigned before 14-0 hours on the 12th March 1942, superscribed on the envelope, "TENDER FOR PAPER & STATIONERY."

Copies of specifications and conditions (in duplicate) can be had on any working day between 11-30 to 15-30 hours on payment of Rs. 5/- (five) only in cash or by money order only.

Baroda, dated 25th February, 1942.

B. T. KALE,
Manager,
Press & Stationery Dept.,
Baroda State. (7511)

PANVEL MUNICIPALITY

TENDER NOTICE

(1) SEALED ITEM RATE TENDERS are invited for various items such as constructing a bund and porous pipe Gallery and roughening chembers, etc., in connection with Improvements to head works, Panvel Water Scheme estimated to cost Rs. 27,500/-

(2) Detailed Technical information can be had either from M|s Vaze & Belaugi Engineers, Examiner Press Building, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, and the Panvel Municipal Office.

(3) Tender forms, specifications and drawings, etc., can be had during office hours at the Panvel Municipal Office on payment of Rs. 5/- per copy of each tender.

(4) Earnest money of Rs. 275/- should be deposited with the Municipality without which no tender will be accepted.

(5) Tender forms, etc., will be issued from 28th Feb., 1942, and received upto 6th March, 1942, 5 P.M. in the Municipal Office.

(6) The Panvel Municipality reserves to itself full right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reasons therefor.

T. N. BEDEKAR,
B.A., LL.B., Advocate
President,
Panvel Municipality.
Municipal Office, Panvel.
Dated 23rd Feb., 1942. (7504)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FAZALBHOY HAJI BUNDELI RAMJI has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, lease, gift, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY REFERRED TO ABOVE:—

ALL that piece of parcel of Bombay Municipal Lease hold land or ground with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being Plot No. 169 of Shivaji Park Scheme, Dadar of Bombay Municipal Corporation in the City and Island of Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 591 sq. yds. or thereabouts and in the Books of the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 496 (2) and Street No. 26 A and bounded as follows:— that is to say, on or towards the East by Plot No. 167 of the said Scheme, on or towards the West by Plot No. 171 of the said Scheme, on or towards the North by 50 feet road and on or towards the South by Plot No. 168 of the said Scheme.

Messrs. JOSHI & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 7518

NOTICE.

Messrs. DIVECHA & THAKORE beg to inform their clients that owing to want of space in their Office, they intend to destroy all Records prior to 1st January, 1940. Clients desirous of taking away their papers are requested to do so on or before 20th March, 1942, after which the same will be destroyed.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1942.

DIVECHA & THAKORE,
Attorneys-At-Law. 7510

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY

SPECIAL NOTICE

ALTERATION IN BUSINESS HOURS AT WADI BANDAR.

IT IS NOTIFIED for the information of the public that with effect from 1st March, 1942, and until further notice the business hours at Wadi Bandar will be revised as follows:—

	Opening of gates for acceptance of goods.	Weighments to cease.
Weeks days Monday to Friday	8-30 to 15-30 hours	16-30 hours.
Saturdays	8-30 to 14-30 hours	18-00 hours.

(7517)

Legal Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that RATILAL HARIDAS and AMRATLAL HARIDAS, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the property described in the schedule hereunder written.

ALL PERSONS having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, gift, sale, trust, lease, lien, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 13-19, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE

FIRSTLY:—The final Plot No. 145 of Vile Parle Town Planning Scheme No. II, situate on the Nehru Road at Vile Parle in the Bombay Suburban District and admeasuring 1575 square yards or thereabouts and formerly registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old Survey No. 77, Pot No. 8, and bounded as follows:—towards the East by the Survey No. 79 and Hissa No. 10 towards the West by the Final Plot No. 144 of the said Scheme towards the North by the Nehru Road and towards the South by the Vendors property hereunder secondly described.

SECONDLY:—Property, situate at Ville Parle in the Bombay Suburban District and admeasuring 4166 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue, Khot and in the Record of Rights of Ville Parle as under.

Survey No.	Pot No.	Falni No.	Area.	Assessment.		
104	1	-	32-1|4	4	0	0
103	-	52|2	0-1|2	0	0	6
103	-	51|3	0-1|2	0	0	6
103	-	50|3	1-1|4	0	1	0
		Gunthas	34-1|2	4	2	0

and now bearing new Survey No. 104 of Ville Parle Hissa No. 1 and bearing Ville Parle Municipal House Nos. 27, 27A and 27B Nehru Road together with the full and free right of way over the 10' Road forming part of the Final Plot No. 145 Town Planning Scheme No. 2 and bounded as follows:—towards the North partly by Final Plot No. 145 Town Planning Scheme No. 2 of Ville Parle belonging to the Vendors and partly by Final Plot No. 144 of the said Scheme towards the South by land bearing Survey No. 105 Hissa Nos. 1 and 2 towards the East by the land bearing Survey No. 79 Hissa No. 10 and towards the West by land bearing Survey No. 103 Hissa Nos. 7 and 8.

Dated this 26th day of February, 1942.

DAPHTARY FERREIRA AND DIVAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys. (7516)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration limited to the property and credits held by HAJI GULAMHUSEIN FARHATALLY, late of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant, the religious Head of the Sulaimani Jamat as Trustee of the said Sulaimani Jamat and of its Dawat a married man ..... Deceased

HAZRAT MAHOMED ISHAK, of Bombay, Sulaimani Muslim Inhabitant, residing at Badr Bagh, Balaram Street, outside the Fort of Bombay ..... Petitioner

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this ninth day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-two and in the sixth year of our Reign.

(Sd.)
G. G. MAHADEVIA,
for Prothonotary &
Senior Master.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.)
K. K. DASTUR,
The 9th day of February, 1942.
S. F. B TYABJI & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys

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Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. GOVIND RAMCHANDRA MOGHE has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Examiner Press Building, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece of land, containing an area of Six hundred and sixty-seven Square Yards or thereabouts, situate on and being Plot No. 35 of the Dadar Matunga Estate of the Board in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, bounded, on the North-East by a Road twenty-six feet in width, on the South-East by a road forty feet in width, on the South-West by Plot No. 34 of the said estate leased to Keshav Ganesh Tambe and on the North-West by Plot No. 30 of the said Estate leased to Gopal Dinkar Potbhare, which piece of land bears New Survey No. 1|1245 part and Cadastral Survey No. 48|10 Matunga Division, and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 6755 (4), and Street No. 1.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1942.

B. G. PANDIT & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. (7514)

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INDUSTRIAL COURT IN SESSION

The Industrial Court has disposed off a bundle of cases of disputes between the employees and employers of two mills in Bombay and one at Amalner.

The Court has turned down the application of 5 representatives of the workers, of the New Mahalaxmi Silk Mills, Ltd., for a declaration that the closing of the mills on January 12 was an illegal change.

The Court also dealt with four different applications from the Amalner Girni Kamagar Union against the Pratap Spinning and Weaving Mills, Amalner.

Only in the case of Akkadu Rajaram, who had been dismissed as it was alleged to have cut the tube and tyre of the cycle of another employee, the Court held that the act if proved in a Court of Law may amount to a criminal offence, but could not amount to misconduct under the standing orders making him liable to be dismissed. The Court therefore declared that his dismissal was an illegal change.

DIRECTORS FOR CIVIL SUPPLIES.

Mr K. L. Panjabi, Secretary to the Government of Bombay, General and Educational Departments, has been appointed Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay in addition to his own duties.

Khan Bahadur A. S. Dalal and Mr. R. N. Samarth, officers on special duty in connection with the Emergency Food Scheme, have been designated Assistant Directors of Civil Supplies, Bombay.

In addition, Rao Saheb K. B. Kamath, Special Officer for Price Control and Civil Supplies, Dr. T. G. Shirname, Controller of Prices, and Mr. A. E. B. Cazi, Assistant Controller of Prices have been appointed Assistant Directors of Civil Supplies in addition to their duties.

The Government of Bombay has extended the period of supersession of the Pandharpur Borough Municipality until June 19, 1943.

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City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Fagan Shud 12, 1998
Muslim: Safar 11, 1361
Parsi: Shehrever 26, 1311.
Sunrise 7-1 a.m. Sunset 6-42 p.m.
Hightide 9-06, 22-35. Lowtide 3-50, 15-32
Municipal Corporation: 3-30 p.m. (B.T.)

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Foreign Correspondent" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
METRO—"The Maltese Falcon" 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 2-30, 5-45 and 8-45 p.m.
REGAL—"Appointment For Love" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Beti" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Doctor" 3-30 6-15 and 9 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Municipality" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
CHITRA—"Shadi" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Hitler" also Stage performance Miss Mary, 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m.
EDWARD—"India To-day" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PALACE—"Penny Serenade" 4, 6-30 and 10
CENTRAL—"Raja Rani" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.
SWASTIK—"Garib" 3 6 and 9 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Ujala" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Sadhana" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Pyas" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 5 to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.) at the Round Temple and go round with them in the Ward.

KHER TO ADDRESS: Shri. B.G. Kher will meet the students and youths of Khar at the Laxmi Society's Hall, 10th Road, Khar, at 9 p.m. to-day (Friday).

MANDVI AND MATUNGA BHANDARS: A.I.S.A. Khadi Bhandars at Musjid Bunder Road, Mandvi and Bhandarker Road, Matunga (G.I.P.), will remain closed to-day (Friday) on account of stock-takings.

BHAI MANILAL C. PARUKH'S LECTURE: Bhai Manilal C. Parukh will deliver a lecture on "Harmony and Unity of Religions" at the Mazdaznan Hall, opp. Churchgate Station, to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. The lecture is open to public and all are cordially in[vited].

THAKKAR V[asanji] MADHAVJI LECTURE: Mr. J.E. Sanjana, late Oriental Translator to the Government of Bombay, will speak on "The Background of Modern Gujarati Literature" at University Convocation Hall, at 5-30 p.m. to-day (Friday).

INSTITUTE OF ENGINEERS (India) Bombay Centre: A general meeting under the joint auspices will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) in the Institution room at Ilaco House, P.M. Road Fort, when Major Webber will give a lecture on "A.R.P. and Building Protection."

CLOSURE OF CEYLON SCHOOLS

COLOMBO: February 26.
The recommendation of the Executive Committee for Education for an extension of Easter Holidays as a compromise measure to meet the demand for closure of schools in Colombo and other specified areas was accepted by the State Council. Easter holidays for the schools in these areas would be from March 1 to April 30.—A. P.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

Bombay: Feb. 26: H. E. the Governor of Madras and the Hon. Lady Hope accompanied by Miss Hope and attended by Captain the Earl of Shannon and Captain F. W. Brett, Aides-de-Camp, arrived at Government House.

Lady Lumley visited the Hospitality Committee's Baths at Ballard Estate.

Lady Lumley presided at the annual general meeting of the League of Mercy at Government House.

HINDU SABHA WAR RELIEF COUNCIL

(From A Correspondent).
On Sunday last a committee was appointed on behalf of the Bom. Pro. Hindu Sabha to deal with all emergencies due to the war situation in the case of Hindus residing in the city of Bombay and its suburbs. It was also decided to form a Volunteer Corps. The first meeting of this committee was held on Monday last. Mr. Haribhau L. Bhagwat, the owner of Hanuman Agency, Girgaum, was appointed as Secretary of this committee. Powers to frame rules etc. for the Volunteers of Hindu Sabha were delegated to Mr. R.M. Alias Dada Pendse and to Mr. Haribhau L. Bhagwat.

Literacy Day

BOMBAY: Thursday.
The Special Literacy Officer writes:—
The activities of the Literacy Day commenced this morning according to the plan. Nearly 2,500 volunteers are moving about in different parts of the city distributing literacy button flags and leaflets. About 1,000 collection boxes are being moved round. Cycle processions bearing literacy posters and slogan boards were out from early morning and moved about in the backward areas up to 11 a.m. Some buses are carrying streamers containing an appeal for co-operation and help.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, the leader of the Congress Opposition Party in the Central Assembly and the President of the Bom. Provincial Cong. Committee has issued a statement stressing the importance of the literacy movement and appealing to the public to help the cause. The Congress Committee has also made a token grant for the cause. A message from the Educational Inspector, Northern Division has also been received.

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(Issued from P.V.B. Office).
Under the auspices of the P.V.B. an intensive campaign of recruiting volunteers for the P.V.B. will be started in Bombay in the next week. The first meeting of this campaign will take place on Tuesday, Mar. 3, at Nappoo Maidan Matunga (G.I.P.), at 6 p.m. (S.T.) when Shri. Mangaldas Pakvasa will preside and Shri. Dhirajlal B. Desai, Smti. Krishna Huthesingh and Shri Joachim Alva will address.

On the same day there will be another meeting at 8-30 p.m. at Dana Bunder, Mandvi, and Shri. Bala Saheb Kher and other prominent speakers will address the meeting.

P. V. B. To Take Census For Relief Work

The P.V.B. has organised a band of well-trained workers, who are instructed to visit all areas and to approach every tenant of every floor in every building to collect census statistics for relief measures in emergency. We request the public to extend their full co-operation when the P.V.B. volunteers approach them. What the head of a family unit has to do is to answer all questions and give all details asked for in order to fill in the required form accurately.

STUDENTS' MEETING: A meeting of the representatives of students from schools, colleges and students' association will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House, to devise ways and means to obtain greater and effective co-operation of students for the P.V.B.

TELEGRAPH NOTIFICATION: The U.S.A. Censorship Regulation requires full address also signatures which must comprise Christian and surnames in all telegrams intended for America.

A.R.P. KHAR: Mr. S.K. Mukerji Dy. Director, A.R.P. Training School, Bombay will speak at C.K.P. Hall, Linking Road, Khar, at 6 p.m. to-day (Friday) on "Elementary Protection against H.E."

A.R.P. AT WORLI: Mr. P.D. Khade will deliver in Marathi the final lecture on "First Aid" at D.D. Chawl No. 52 at 7 p.m. to-day (Friday). Mr. G.M. Bhat, Group Warden, will preside.

HAMPTON'S LECTURE: Under the auspices of the B.S.T. Association, Principal H.V. Hampton will give a lecture on "The place of Modern English in Secondary and Collegiate Courses" at 6 p.m. to-day (Friday) in the Secondary Training College Hall Dhobi Talao. Rev. Fr. Dubr S.J. will preside. All the members are requested to attend.

BLAVATSKY LODGE, T.S.: Mr. K.J.B. Wadia will lecture in English at the Besant Hall of the Lodge at French Bridge Chowpatty to-day (Friday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on "The Message of Theosophy to the Weary World."

FAMOUS SHAHNAI PLAYERS TO BE HONOURED: The famous Shahnai players from Benares the Bismillah Party are to be honoured by the School of Indian Music at 4 p.m. to-morrow (Saturday) at the school's new hall, opp. Opera House, French Bridge Corner. The Bismillah Party will entertain the audience by a Shahnai programme after the function.

LECTURE ON "LIBYAN CAMPAIGN": Under the auspices of the Society of Retired Parsi Officers and 25 other associations co-operating therewith a public lecture will be delivered by Maj. A.H. Roosemale Cocq., M.C. 6th Rajputana Rifles, in Framji Cowasji Institute, opp. the Metro Cinema, Dhobi Talao, on Friday, the 27th Feb. at 6-15 p.m. on "The Recent Libyan Campaign." Sir Jehangir B. Boman-Behram will preside.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: At a meeting of the Group at Green's to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. Mr. Bhulabhai J. Desai will speak on the "Present Political Situation."

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: A public study class on "Manas" from the Ocean of Theosophy, by W.Q. Judge, will be held to-day (Friday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building, opp. Flora Fountain.

EXHIBITION & SALE OF INDIGENOUS & HOME PRODUCTS: An exhibition of Parsi arts and crafts under the auspices of the Parsi Employment Bureau, will be held at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall from to-day (Friday) to 3rd March (Tuesday) in which household products, wearing apparels, cloth of Indian mills and daily useful articles, tea, Eau-de-Cologne, etc., will be sold. Its object is to bring the buyers and producers into contact.

ROYAL SCHOOL OF MUSIC (LONDON): At the recent examination of the Associated Board of Music held in Bombay under the examiner, Mr. Herbert Fryer, F.R.A.M., F.R.C.M., Mr. Anthony J. D'Cruz has passed his Licentiate in Violin (Practical). So far he is the only candidate to pass LR.S.M. (Teacher's Certificate) examination in Violin from Bombay. Mr. D'Cruz was trained at a young age by his grandfather, the late Mr. T. D'Cruz, who was a well-known musician some years ago. Mr. D'Cruz also holds Teacher's Diploma of the Trinity College of Music, London.

"S.M.S. AUTOMOBILE SERVICE ENGINEERS"

In the issue of "The Chronicle" of 27th January, 1942, the following advertisement under the heading: "Public Notice" was published:—

"Patrons and members of S.M.S. Automobile Service Engineers (behind Imperial Cinema, Lamington Road, Girgaon), are informed that owing to certain differences with Mr. D. K. Chapnker, who sublet the premises for the workshop to undersigned and who is now holding out threats to the life of the undersigned, work has been suspended pending orders from a court of law. Due public notice will be given when work is resumed.

D. S. PAUL,
Proprietor, S.M.S. Automobile Service Engineers."

We regret that the reference to Mr. D. K. Chapnekar "holding out threats to the life of Mr. D. S. Paul" was published.

Talk Of The Suburbs

Mr. R. S. Bulsara, Chairman, School Board, Bandra, writes:

"My attention has been drawn to a report, published in your issue of the 24th February, 1942, in the column "Talk of the Suburbs" and I have to state that the same is incorrect and misleading. I presided at the said meeting and the only resolution that was adopted by the meeting was to hold the Annual Examinations in the month of March instead of April as usual. The same resolution also decided to continue to hold the schools as in normal condition, even if the examinations are held and I hope you will do the needful in the matter and correct the error, as enquiries are made from many quarters as to the genuineness of the report.

RESERVE BANK LOCAL BOARD
The Central Board of the Reserve Bank have nominated Professor D. R. Gadgil Director, Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics, Poona, to be a member of the Western (Bombay) Area, Local Board, in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rao Bahadur Dr. P. C. Patil, who is now a member of the Interim Council of Administration of the Kolhapur State.

LOS ANGELES:—"Unidentified aircraft caused a black-out in Los Angeles area for several hours on Wednesday morning", says a statement issued from the fourth army headquarters on Wednesday afternoon.

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A FRESH APPROACH?

The references to India in the war debate in the Commons on Wednesday evinced a common desire to make a fresh approach to the Indian problem. Mr. Hore Belisha, former War Secretary, remarked that it was not yet too late "to carry India with us by bolder and more comprehensive proposals than have yet been made". Mr. Sloan, practically, repeated Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek's appeal to Britain when he hoped that Britain, without waiting for any demand from the Indian people would as speedily as possible give them real political power. Mr. Richard Acland (National Liberal) was positively gushing when he suggested that in dealing with India "we should banish from our vocabulary the phrase Dominion Status and in its place the term independence should be used". Even the diehard Sir Alfred Knox seemed to have been alarmed at the turning tide when he ejaculated that it would be "absolute lunacy" to make any big political change in India to-day.

Wanted Immediate Action

Sir Stafford Cripps, the new Leader of the House, realised that there was now less complacency about India and remarked that the Indian question "vexed the minds of members from all sides of the House". But he did not say anything more definitely than that a separate debate on this subject would be possible very shortly "upon the basis of a Government decision in the matter". From all this it is, perhaps, safe to assume that Government are considering the feasibility of going beyond the August offer. But how far they may go is at present only a matter of speculation. In this connection it may be recalled that, regarding the declaration demanded by India, Sir Stafford publicly stated a few days ago: "In my view the promise of Dominion Status to India should be made perfectly clear in terms Lord Balfour used in 1926, that is, that a dominion would have a right to remain in or outside the British Commonwealth of Nations; that means a right of independence If this right is promised after the War, then, I believe, the present difficulty can be settled on that basis, and no doubt during the War India would be prepared to co-operate in the War effort, but such co-operation, I believe, is dependent on that promise in clear and distinct terms". India will be guided not merely by the terms of the promise for the future but also by the earnest conceded immediately.

The Congress Attitude

The possibility of a fresh approach to the Indian problem has already begun to call forth special demands from different elements in the country. Dr. Ambedkar still fancies he represents the fifty millions of Harijans, nay, in maligning Hindus and Hinduism he says that his view is shared not only by the "Depressed" Classes but also by the non-Brahmins. But in his understandable bitterness at the plight of the "Depressed" classes he fails to detect the fallacy in this remark. The non-Brahmins form an overwhelming majority among the Hindus and by maligning Hinduism or Hindus they would be maligning themselves. He is evidently creating a fresh "element", the non-Brahmins, by isolating them from the Brahmins and also from the Harijans, who, too, are non-Brahmins. However, in the final analysis, it will be a thoroughly representative body, whether it is called a National Convention of Legislators or a Constituent Assembly, that will determine in India her constitution, subject to agreement with recognised minorities, as already conceded by the Congress. Nor will Congress object, in the absence of agreement, to arbitration on disputed points. But in no circumstances will Congress compromise the freedom and integrity of the country or the democratic rights of its people.

The Burma Situation

The conclusion of the Malaya and Singapore Battles has enabled Japan to reinforce overwhelmingly her already strong forces in Burma. British troops who, from the beginning, had been labouring under the handicap of inferiority, are now experiencing enormously heavy pressure. They have fought gallantly, inflicting greater losses upon the Japanese than they have suffered themselves. But naturally they have not been able to stop the enemy and have now been forced back to the west bank of the Sittang, the last remaining natural barrier for the defence of Rangoon. Here, too, fighting is now going on fiercely and it is to be feared that the Japanese, who can afford recklessly to sacrifice personnel and material at this stage, may succeed in crossing the Sittang, too. Thereafter Rangoon will be directly threatened. The British lack grievously in both men and material. In respect of the former Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-Shek has rendered considerable assistance and is continuing to rush Chinese troops into Burma even now. His forces are successfully holding back the Japanese on the Thai border.

Given time and equipment and the reinforcements that are arriving now it is not impossible to stop further Japanese progress even if Rangoon falls. The British are fighting gallantly and as best as they can to delay Japanese progress, and gain valuable time for Chinese and British reinforcements to take up battle stations, but what about equipment? The situation, particularly so far as southern Burma is concerned, is, of course, gloomy. But there is one factor which encourages optimism if only the present overwhelming superiority of Japanese land forces is reduced to comparatively reasonable proportions. That factor is the supremacy established in the air by the American Volunteer Group and the Royal Air Force. These airmen have simply worked wonders. They have shot to pieces the Japanese air force with a success which is as amazing as it is agreeable. Never have the Japanese met them without suffering remarkably heavy losses. The latest instance is the two Japanese attacks upon Rangoon on Wednesday last when the A. V. G. and R. A. F. destroyed 29 planes for certain and seven probably without any loss to themselves. On Thursday they destroyed twenty-one Japanese aeroplanes. In the air these splendid pilots have won for the defenders of Burma a dominating advantage. But a well-equipped army is needed to exploit it decisively.

Arbitrary And High-Handed

Though the Full Bench of the Lahore High Court has set aside the orders of the Lahore District Magistrate served on several local papers, restraining them from publishing any article concerning the 'hartal' against the sales tax or action taken against processionists, the Government have restored the orders under the Defence of India Rules. It may be that the Government are only making good the legal defects in the Magistrate's orders, pointed out by the High Court. But they are taking undue advantage of the coercive powers vested in them by the Defence of India Rules. To use these war measures against papers stating facts in no way connected with the war is a gross abuse thereof. It will only add to the discontent in the province and widen the scope of the anti-Sales tax agitation. We can understand a Government insisting on the tax in spite of its unpopularity in several circles. We can understand, too, action against inflammatory comments on it or distortion of facts. But we cannot understand invoking the Defence of India Rules to restrict the publication of plain and faithful statements of facts about the hartal and action taken against processionists. Do Government want to take drastic action against agitators and yet conceal ugly facts about it from the public? The press and the public will not tolerate this wanton encroachment on their rights.

Frankly Speaking

Soviet Successes

Since its twenty-fourth anniversary, the Red Army, which is successfully maintaining its initiative against, and pressure upon, the enemy along the entire front, has won two important victories. The first is the recapture of Dorogobuzh between Vyazma and Smolensk and only 50 miles from Smolensk. Doroboguzh is a strategically important centre of communications and supplies and its capture threatens the German armies in the Vyazma with isolation and starvation It also, of course, threatens Smolensk, the key point of Herr Hitler's last winter line.

A Great Victory

Even more noteworthy, is the Russian victory in the Staraya Russa region between Smolensk and Leningrad. It is really the first victory of its kind in the present Russian counter-offensive. The whole of the Sixteenth German Army has been successfully encircled and a part of it, the Second Army Corps consisting of two Infantry and one S. S. Division, has already been "routed", losing 12,000 dead and a tremendous amount of war material. Operations are being continued with energy and success and it is to be hoped that the rest of the Sixteenth Army as well as the remnants of the already beaten Second Corps will be effectively liquidated. This will be a great and important triumph. The Sixteenth German Army was holding a region vital to the Nazis. If this region is cleared by the Russias, Nazi forces in the Leningrad area will be faced with an imminent peril while the situation of those in the south will also be rendered unenviable.

Wanted Explanation

At a meeting of the Surat Medical Union the other day Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Dean of the G. S. Medical College, revealed the fact that even after nearly thirty months of war young British I.M.S. officers still continued to serve on the civil side instead of being sent to the Army, while more senior Indian members of the service were reverted to the military. This is a device, quite familiar now, to keep key posts as far as possible in the hands of Europeans, but it is most unfair to Indians. Dr. Mehta also pointed out that the terms on which Indian specialists are employed for the Emergency Cadre of the Service are humiliating to senior specialists and that such humiliating terms were not offered in the last war. If the terms involve discrimination against Indians the position becomes still more humiliating and, therefore, intolerable. Government owe an explanation to the public and the Indian medical profession on these points.

Local Finance

The annual report on the working of the Local Audit Department, Bombay, for the year 1940-41 states that "with very few exceptions, the financial administration of local bodies on the whole continued to be unsatisfactory during the year under report". The report mentions "numerous irregularities" and points out that for maladministration, four local bodies, viz., Yeola, Islampur and Karad Municipalities and Nasik District Local Board, were superseded during the year, while the supersession of three others, viz., Pandharpur, Sangamner and Hubli Municipalities, was extended for further periods. The financial position of smaller municipalities, it is stated, "was particularly discouraging and some of them were heading towards a crisis, the reasons being mainly due to undue laxity in recovery of arrears and unwillingness to impose fresh taxation". These are serious complaints and not quite uncommon. They may well be investigated by a body of officials and non-officials.

Appeal To University

To The Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—Due to the rapid developments in the political situation and hearing details of people trapped in Rangoon and other places, population of Bombay naturally feel anxious particularly to see their families evacuated out of Bombay. Apart from the difficulty of getting railway accommodation, the difficulty that mainly contronts them is the education of their children. Many schools in Bombay have their annual examinations fixed during March and no parent would like to waste the year of the child for the sake of few weeks. In case of the children appearing for Matric and other higher examinations, I understand, many parents have been refused the transfer of centre for appearing in the examination, by the University. At such a time, a slight inconvenience to the schools and universities will prove to be of great help and relief to so many parents There are some who advocate that by holding school examinations little earlier or allowing the change of centres for university examinations, they will help in spreading the panic. There is absolutely no sense in that argument when people get actual informations about war happenings every hour. On the contrary, the male population of the city who can conveniently arrange to evacuate their families will be greatly relieved of the constant care and anxieties and thereby carry out their normal duties and face the danger that may come in a much better manner.—Yours, etc.,

G. S. PATEL.

Non-Official Indian As Defence Member

Council Of State Passes Pandit Kunzru's Resolution

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

In the Council of State, Pandit Kunzru's resolution recommending that the portfolio of defence in the Governor-General's Executive Council be entrusted to a non-official Indian was passed by 11 votes to five, official members not voting.

The following voted for the resolution:—Pandit Kunzru, Mr. Sapru, Mr. Kalikar, Lala Ramsarandas, Mr. Dalal, Sir David Davadoss, Mr. Parker, Sir Shantidas Askuran, Sardar Bahadur Sobha Singh, Chaudhury Attaullahkhan Tarar and N. K. Das.

The following voted against the resolution:—

Sir Mohamed Yakub, Mr. Padsha, Mohd. Hussain, Khurshid Ali Khan, and Sir Ramunni Menon.

There was a full dress debate on Pandit Kunzru's resolution:

Sir Feroze Khan Noon, Leader of the House, informed the House that official benches would take no part in the debate and Government would be pleased to forward the views expressed in the Council to higher authorities.

Pandit Kunzru maintained that it was entirely within the competence of the Secretary of State for India to effect the change asked for without an amendment of the act. Pandit Kunzru felt that political and military considerations demanded that the Commander-in-Chief should be relieved of his political duties and left free to devote his whole time to pressing military duties. Pandit Kunzru averred that the present arrangement had not roused popular enthusiasm for war, and maintained that the proposed change would go a long way to mobilise public support for war efforts.

Sir Shantidas Askuran supported the resolution from the conviction that the Defence of India was the primary responsibility of Indians themselves and an Indian Defence Member would be in a better position to strengthen the people's morale and inspire them with confidence necessary to face the future with courage and fortitude.

Sir Mohamed Yakub pointed out that defence policy was not framed in India, and asked what would be the position of an Indian Defence Member, if there was a clash of interests between Britain and India and between the Indian Defence Member and the Commander-in-Chief. Sir Mohomed was sorry that Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek had placed himself and Indians in an awkward position by his farewell message which, the speaker, said, had created more resentment than existed before.

Mr. P. N. Sapru maintained that all except diehards should accept the proposal.

The Council allowed Mr. Parker to introduce a bill to amend the Companies Act. The bill, 'inter-alia' seeks to delete Section fifty-four of the Companies Act to bring the Indian Law into line with the British Act. It also provides that an 'arrangement' under Section 153 included a reorganisation of share capital by consolidation or sub-division of shares.

The Council was adjourned till 5-30 p.m. on February 28, when the general budget would be presented.

ASSEMBLY SECRET SESSION

C.-in-C. To Review War Situation

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

It is understood that after Mr. M. S. Aney's motion in the secret session of the Central Assembly to-morrow to take into consideration the war situation, H. E. the Commander-in-Chief will make a statement reviewing the war situation. Thereafter a debate will follow.—United Press.

AN OFFENCE UNDER DEFENCE RULES

Publication Of Secret Sitting Proceedings

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

A press note states:—

An amendment of the Defence of India Rules just issued makes it an offence to publish, or communicate to any person by any means, the proceedings of a secret sitting of either chamber of the Indian Legislature. It is already an offence to publish any information about the proceedings of any Committee appointed by the Legislature to deal with matters concerning the prosecution of war. Secret sittings of the Council of State or Assembly as a whole are a new development, and the amendment is designed to provide the same safeguard in respect of them.—A. P.

Assembly Proceedings

NEW DELHI, February 26.

A scheme for military training in schools and colleges and for the training of air pilots submitted by the Congress Government of Bihar before their resignation was mentioned by Mr. Govind Deshmukh at question time in the Assembly this morning. Mr. Deshmukh asked whether this scheme was scotched by the Central Government and for what reasons.

Sir Gurunath Bewoor said that a scheme on the lines mentioned by the questioner was forwarded by the Government of Bihar on April 8, 1939, but Government were not aware whether it was drawn up with the approval of the Governors mentioned. The scheme did not include the training of pilots. The Government of India replied on July 26, 1939, to the effect that certain aspects of the scheme had their full sympathy and that they would do all in their power to render assistance. They pointed out at the same time the constitutional and practical difficulties in implementing the other features of the proposal.

A revision of the convention separating railway finance from general finance was asked for in the course of the debate on a cut motion moved by Sir Frederick James in the Assembly today.

The mover withdrew his motion.

Improvement of alternative forms of transport was urged on a cut motion moved by Mr. Ramsay Scott.

Cheap return tickets for Haj pilgrims was demanded by Khan Bahadur Piracha by a cut motion which was supported by Maulvi Abdul Ghani and Syed Murtaza Saheb.

Sir Andrew Clow undertook to examine the demand sympathetically as soon as the war pressure was over.

Overcrowding in trains, particularly in inter and third class compartments, was complained against in the course of speeches on Mr. Nauman's cut motion, which was next taken up.

The motion was rejected without a division.

The other demands were passed and the House adjourned till tomorrow, when after questions, the Assembly will hold the first secret session in its history.—A. P.

WAR STOPS SIMLA EXODUS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

A Press Communique states, the Government of India have had under constant review in the light of the war situation the decision taken last October in the interests of administrative efficiency to move to Simla this hot weather. In view of the nearer approach of war to the shores of India, the decision has now been taken that the headquarters of the Government of India should remain in Delhi for the hot weather.—A. P.

MONEY ORDERS TO BURMA

NEW DELHI, Feb. 26.

The registration, insurance, parcel post and ordinary money order services to Burma have been temporarily suspended with immediate effect, says a Press Note. No registered or insured article, parcel or money order addressed to Burma will, therefore, be accepted until further notice. Air mail money orders and telegraphic money orders for Burma will, however, continue to be accepted. Registered or insured articles, parcels and ordinary money orders already accepted will be returned to senders as far as possible.—A. P.

Tell Us What Anti-Air-Raid Measures Are Taken

CALCUTTA February 26.

A request for detailed information about the measures taken by Government for protection against air raid in Calcutta and its suburbs, in view of the gravity of the situation in the Far East was made by Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy, ex-Revenue Minister in the Bengal Council this afternoon.

Sir Bijoy Prasad suggested that if Government considered it necessary the House might go into a secret session to hear details about the A.R.P. measures taken by Government.

The Hon. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, Minister for Civil Defence, said that Government would consider the proposal for a secret session. He however, pointed out that Government had always taken the public into confidence with regard to the A.R.P. measures. If further details were wanted by the House, Mr. Basu would be prepared to accommodate the House, provided the question of a secret session was decided upon by the appropriate authority.—A. P.

BATTLE FOR SEA POWER

British Navy's Proud Record

OVER FIVE LAKHS TONS OF AXIS CONTROLLED SHIPPING DAMAGED: ALEXANDER ON NEW CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME

LONDON, Feb. 26.

It is officially stated that the losses of British ships in convoy are still less than half of one per cent.

It is officially stated that the German battle cruisers "Scharnhorst" and "Gneusenau" have received severe damage. One is in the dry dock at Kiel and the other in the Wilhelmshaven dockyard.

It is officially announced that the British submarine "Trident" attacked a cruiser of the "Prinz Eugen" class off the Norwegian coast on February 23 and obtained a hit. A ship of this class was located at Trondheim in tow and damaged aft.

A British submarine scored three hits on the latest Italian convoy to Libya, it is officially stated in London.

NAVY ESTIMATES

The news that the two German battle cruisers "Scharnhorst" and "Gneusenau" received "severe damage"—one is now in drydock at Kiel and the other in Wilhelmshaven dockyard—was officially given to-day to members of the House of Commons by the First Lord of admiralty Mr. A. V. Alexander.

This information together with the fact that a British submarine had successfully attacked a German cruiser of the "Prinz Eugen" class off the Norwegian coast three days ago—it was later located at Trondheim in tow and damaged aft—formed the highlights of the facts related in a review of the work of the Royal Navy by the First Lord when he introduced the Navy Estimates.

HUGE AXIS LOSSES

The other points of outstanding interest made by Mr. Alexander were: at no time were there less than about 2,000 ships at risk on the ocean: Nearly 13,000 anti-aircraft guns were fitted in merchant ships during 1941 and nearly 5,000 ships had anti-aircraft devices—other than guns; new boat construction was on an unprecedented scale; losses in convoys were still less than half of one per cent. Losses of ships in the Far East and the Pacific were considerable but some of the vessels were not suitable for other seas; U-Boats were concentrating off the eastern sea-board of North America where the American Allies were putting measures in hand which would make the task of U-boats more difficult. During 1941, 22 German merchant raiders and supply ships were sunk. British aircraft, submarines and surface ships in 1941 captured, sank or damaged half a million tons of German and Italian shipping or Axis-controlled shipping.

BR. NAVY'S RECORD

During the last period, the Axis lost nearly twice as much shipping on maintaining their North African front as Britain did in protecting and maintaining armies in the Middle East. In the defence of Crete, the Navy had drowned 5,000 German troops and rescued 16,000 British troops. The Navy had delivered to Tobruk 30,000 tons of stores ranging from tanks to sheep. The Corvette policy had been a success. Labour force in shipbuilding had expanded by nearly hundred per cent since the war began and was increasing. A large number of the damaged heavy ships had been repaired and put into service again. The Japanese had already suffered substantial losses in warships and transports and British and American navies were recovering from the heavy blows they had suffered. great programmes of construction were being pressed forward and should restore sea power which was essential to victory.

Torpedo Attack On Enemy Cruiser

LONDON:—Following is the text of an Admiralty 'communique' issued to-day (Thursday): "A German cruiser of the "Prinz Eugen" class has been successfully attacked by the submarine "Trident" (Commander G. M. Sladen).

The attack took place off the coast of Norway on February 23. The enemy cruiser was hit by a torpedo and a subsequent air reconnaissance has shown that a ship of this class was located at Trondheim in a tow of tugs and damaged aft. It is possible that one of the destroyers escorting the enemy cruisers was also hit by a torpedo."

R.A.F. Attack On Kiel

LONDON:—An Air Ministry 'communique' says that aircraft of the Bomber Command last night attacked Kiel and other objectives in North-West Germany. Two of our aircraft are missing.—Reuter.

Plea For 20 Million-Tons Merchant Navy

LONDON, Feb. 26.

Mr. Philip Runciman in his Presidential address at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom to-day said "by some means or other, we must have a merchant navy of at least 20 millions tons grossmit is our first essential need for the future without which no military preparations will be of any avail."

Money would have to be found to replace the lost tonnage which the insurance money did not cover. Government will have to think in different terms from those of 1939 in regard to any money they lend or cause to be lent to shipowners."

Mr. Runciman continued "another thing that will have to be altered before any more real progress can be made is the present system whereby an uncomprehending but immovable veto of the treasury can render abortive the most promising plan for development."

Mr. Runciman was doubtful if a speed higher than 12 knots for tramp steamer could be justified to talk, about 16 knot tramps was in his opinion asking for serious trouble since speed was a costly business. —Reuter.

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WITHOUT COMMENT.

The Navy Secretary, Colonel Knox, says that three enemy submarines are believed to have been sunk in the Atlantic and four damaged with 49 others attacked with inconclusive results during January and February.

—Washington Report.

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"If we do not appease the Congress we invite the certainty of major revolts."

The "Daily Telegraph" of London.

Something sure has happened in this world.

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Sir Stafford Cripps informed the House of Commons that very shortly there would be announced a Government decision on the Indian problem.

There is no need to fear anything grave. But one can never be too careful and we think Mr. Jinnah will be well advised to enter in advance a precautionary caveat against Sir Stafford

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Talking of Sir Stafford's announcement, Dr. Ambedkar has emerged from his brief period of silence with a statement attacking the Congress and the Muslim League with commendable impartiality.

And it is a most timely reminder, too, lest continued silence might have led to Dr. Ambedkar's being forgotten at the vital moment.

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According to Sir Alfred Knox the Tory, M.P., it would be "absolute lunacy" to make any big political change in India today.

No, don't blame the present war and possible "shell shock." This patriotic Imperialist has been suffering for years.

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"Democracy," said Sir Alfred, "means the counting of heads regardless of what is inside their heads."

The constituency of Sir Alfred Knox at any rate fully proves it.

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The A.V.G. and the R.A.F. in Burma scored another of their customary successes on Wednesday when they destroyed no fewer than 29 Japanese planes and probably seven more.

How one wishes the Battle of Rangoon were to be fought in the air!

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What, says a Reuter's correspondent, could turn the scales completely in the Dutch East Indies would be a large number of Allied air craft.

This is only too true, brother. But why rub it in?

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The latest historic development in the war situation is that "a small detachment of British troops has arrived in the New York metropolitan area."

Hurray!

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Sir Stafford Cripps will, it is reported, be a neighbour of Mr. Churchill and occupy No. 11 Downing Street.

This neighbourly proximity is rather disquieting.

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"Thish match won't light."

"Washa matter with it?

"I dunno—it lit all right a minute ago!"

DR. SAPRU AS REWA'S COUNSEL

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE, Feb. 26.

According to a message, Maharaja Sir Gulabsingh, Ruler, Rewa State whose administrative power was temporarily suspended and whose entry into the State was banned by Crown representative pending investigation by a commission of inquiry into the allegations levelled against him has engaged Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru as Counsel.

Further it is gathered, if the suspended Maharaja agrees to the appointment of a commission which he previously refused it will consist of five members including two Indian Princes, one representative of foreign political department, one public representative and one High Court Judge.

'CHINA SUPPLEMENT ON MARCH 7

Editors' Conference Chief's Appeal

MADRAS, Feb. 26.

With reference to the 'China Supplement' proposed to be issued by newspapers in India in connection with the 'China Day', Mr. K. Srinivasan, President of the All-India Newspaper Editors Conference, requests newspapers to issue the supplement on March 7 to synchronise with the new date fixed for the celebration.—A. P.

HOME FOR OVERSEAS CHINESE CHILDREN

BOMBAY, Feb. 25.

From Kunming comes word today that Madame Chiang-Kai-Shek has made a special appropriation for the opening of a home for overseas Chinese children on the outskirts of that city, according to the Chungking Radio. The work will be in charge of the Kunming branch of the Women's Advisory Committee of the 'New Life' movement.

NEED FOR TRAINED WOMEN FOR SOCIAL WORK IN VILLAGES

Kamaladevi On Importance Of Cocanada Resolution: Surat Camp Gets Good Response

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The aims and objects of the All-India Women's Training Camp which opens at Abrama two miles from Vetchha railway station in Surat District on March 12 next were explained to the "United Press" representative by Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya who arrived in Bombay this morning.

"What the present camp aims at", Mrs Kamaladevi said, "is to train provincial organisers. They must necessarily be women of initiative and intelligence and capable of efficient leadership. This means that the training should be of a specified nature and must equip the candidate to tackle each problem as it presents itself in given areas and to train provincial, district and village cadres. The attainment for a candidate for the All-India training camp must perforce be pretty high. It is because of that that we in the Cocanada session of the All-India Women's Conference decided that the candidates should have the graduation standard. But this is not a hard and fast rule. Exception will be made, as it is being made, in cases of proved efficiency and initiative, though they may not have the graduation standard".

It is learnt that already very good response to the training scheme has been received from women's organisations all over the country.

According to the present scheme, the Provincial Branches of the All-India Women's Conference is authorised to send only one candidate whose expenses will be borne by the Branch, but other organisations or individuals are also welcome to join the Camp. Expenses for fourteen weeks will be Rs. 105 and the Camp will be restricted to 50 women. A public spirited gentleman from Sind has offered scholarships to two widows from Sind.

The scheme for the training includes all aspects of national life, besides special problem affecting the women of India. "The need for trained workers and organisers", said Mrs. Kamaladevi, "is all the more to-day when we are passing through critical times. To allay panic, to guard against internal disorder and to keep the social services and organisations going without being affected by any possible confused state that may arise constitute a task at once Herculean and calls forth for the best among us. Nothing that happens to-day or may happen hereafter should interfere with what we have taken in our hands now. We are confident that when these women go out to their respective provinces and get to work in their respective fields after their training, the value and importance of such training will be realised."—United Press.

RACING AT MAHALAXMI

The following are the Acceptances, Weights and Order of tances, for the First Day of Bombay Spring Meeting, to be run at Mahalaxmi, on Saturday, February 28:—

THE JHELUM PLATE.—Distance 1 mile furlong.

Saif Bahadur 9-3; Star of Kashmir 9-0; Wafi Hamid 9-0; Ghussun al Ilah 8-13; Pride of Mosul 8-13; Saif al Muluk 8-13; Sanjagh Sa'ad 8-11; Qa'id al Furat 8-11; Prince Naji 8-7; Baroda Fighter 8-7; Sikandar 8-7; Boonian 8-3; Umeim 8-0; Mikhlif Said 7-13; Sultan 7-7; Officer 7-7.

THE KUNIGAL PLATE. Division II.—Distance 5 furlongs.

Iceland 9-4; Tyrant 8-11; So What 8-11; Madam Pompadour 8-11; Pomp 8-9; Novo Steel 8-6; Film Star 8-4; Pick Me Up 8-4; Pashwanji 8-2; Quisling 8-2; Quick March 8-2; Ardsollus 8-2; Full Faith 8-0; Scotch Mist 8-0.

THE MAHALUXMI PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

To be ridden by half jockeys, riding boys and apprentice jockeys. Half jockeys and riding boys will ride on even terms and apprentice jockeys, who have not ridden 5 winners, will be allowed 7 lbs.

Katipo 9-2; Sugar Baby 8-2; Oil Cap 7-12; Another Devil 9-0; Wine Glass 8-11; Lejong 8-11; Bastion 8-6; Miss Vesington 8-6; Tregenna 8-4; Panna Prince 8-0; Lord Clarion 8-0; Breian 7-12; Alan-a-Dale 7-12; Major Barbara 7-11; Kamala 7-11; How's That 7-4, Not Out 7-4.

THE MUMBRA PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

Flourishing Queen 9-4; Shamsher Jung 8-7; Kanzallah 9-0; Reformer 9-0; Prince Hilal 9-0; Great Star 8-13; Dahman Ahmad 8-9; Attilla 8-9; Aneed 8-0; Sagir Dahman 8-7; King Hilal 8-4; Amal al Shabab 8-0; Fadlihat al Garb 7-11; Kabadon Jamil 7-9; Taj Subhan 7-7; Ma'an 7-7.

THE LEWES PLATE.—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong.

Radio Man 9-4; Vijai Kumari 9-2; Faiz 8-11; Talk 9-2; Capron 9-0; Indication 8-13; Enjeu 8-11; Valentia Jinks 8-11; Philtre 8-9; Kirit 8-6; Chowrangi 8-4; American Beauty 8-4; Lens 7-9; Smara 7-7; Gold Gainer 7-7; Not Out 7-4; Master Mint 7-4; Murdock 7-4.

THE KUNIGAL PLATE. Division I.—Distance 5 furlongs.

The Duchess 9-0; Carlyon 8-13; Diana 8-12; Chu-Wai-Chu 8-11; Star Act 8-11; Church Bell 8-7; Liberty 8-4; English Rose 8-2; Victor 8-2; Manmohan 8-0; Hari Singh 7-9; Suzanne 7-9.

THE TICKFORD PARK PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs.

National Flag 9-0; Scotland For Ever 8-9; Let Slip 8-7; Dominic 8-4; Old Reliance 8-4; Don't Shoot 8-4; Engaged 8-4; Moot Law 8-2; Usk 7-7.

THE FERMOY PLATE.—Distance 1 1/4 miles.

Paprika 9-0; Desert Sunrise 8-11; Man Eater 8-10; Vandyke 8-6; High Lights 8-4; Chiliarch 8-6; Monte Carlo 8-6; King of Sports 8-6; Ministrone 8-4; Kotor 8-4; Highland Lad 7-13; Sauce Anglaise 7-13; Ratepayer 7-13; Gipsy Song 7-13; Cash 7-11; Meadow 7-11; Masque 7-11; Fortune Hunter 7-9.

THE SHERIDIAN PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs.

Orange Flower 9-7; Mahboob 9-4; Shermount 9-0; Rose of Dewas 7-12; Sheritoy 8-13; No Wonder 8-13; Black Magic 8-12; Can Can 7-12; Peace Treaty 8-8; Lion Tamer 8-6; Ginger Biscuit 7-10; Countess Nil 7-4; Sweetness 7-4.

Hockey Championship

Lahore: Feb. 26: Four out-station teams were seen in action on the Punjab University ground this evening when two matches were played in the Inter-Provincial Hockey Championship. The following are the results:—Sind 2, Manavdar 2. Bombay 1, Delhi 1.—A. P.

OPEN FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT:

An open football tournament will be held from Thursday (26th March) on the Indian Troops Sports ground at Poona. Entries will be accepted upto the 12th March 1942.

A perpetual Cup will be awarded to the winners and 11 medals or cups will be awarded to the players of the winning team. Particulars can be had from the Hon. Secretary, Maharashtra Football Federation, c/o Maharashtra Gymkhana, Poona City.

Alleged Cheating Case Hearing

The case in which Mr. Sorab Cursetji Wadia stood charged with cheating in respect of Rs. 8,000 came up for further hearing before Mr. Mathrone, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, on Thursday afternoon.

Cross-examined by Sir Hormusdjar Dastur, the complainant stated that the overdraft account opened by him was on account of payment made to him by the accused. He further admitted that in 1935 he had paid to the accused three sums of Rs. 75, Rs. 75 and Rs. 192 each, making a total of Rs. 343. The complainant, however denied that he with Mr. Fraser and Mr. Lala had speculated in cotton.

Proceeding the complainant deposed that in Hasham Building he used to wait for the accused outside the lift on the second floor. The accused, while going to the 4th floor, where he had his office, would come out at the second floor, salute him and ask him to wait there. He would then come down, said the complainant to Kasturbhai's office which was on the second floor.

Further hearing of the case was adjourned to March 12.

Mr. H.R. Pardiwala instructed by Mr. Hilloowala appeared for the complainant, whereas the accused was defended by Sir Hormuzdiar Dastur with Mr. C.N. Kanuga instructed by Messrs Dastur and Co., Solicitors.

NURSES EXAM. RESULTS

The results of the examinations for Nurses Part I and II of the Bombay Nurses, Midwives and Health Visitors' Council, were declared on 26/2/1942 and the following are the numbers of the successful candidates:—

PART I—Nos. 101 102 103 104 106 107 109 110 111 112 113 116 117 118 119 121 124 129 130 131 132 133 139 141 142 144 147 149 150 151 152 154 155 156 157 158 160 162 163 166 167 170 172 173 174 177a 179 180 181 182 184 186 187 188 190 191 194 196 201 202 205 206 207 209 211 212 and 215.

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No. 364, Pardeshi Manik of the J.J. Hospital Bombay, stands I, and No. 379, Sunderlingam Krupa of the Canada Hospital, Nasik, stands II, among the Marathi speaking candidates and get the Durgabai Ketkar Prizes.

City's Water Supply

Corporation Decision On Sinking And Re-opening Of Wells

The Municipal Corporation on Thursday approved of the resolution of the Standing Committee moved by Mrs. Malinibai Sukhtankar to reopen the covered wells in charge of Bombay Municipality, to sink two deep and ten shallow tube wells for use as an alternative source of supply in the event of damage to water mains or water works by enemy action. The cost is estimated at about Rs. 2,00,000.

Mrs. Lilavati K. Munshi in seconding the resolution said ten tube wells were not enough for a large city like Bombay. There were about 2,000 closed wells in the city which should be opened either by the Goverament or the Municipality. They should also see that the wells are used for general public and not exclusively for the landlords and their families and friends.

Mr. K. F. Nariman and Mr. Mohanlal Desai also emphasised the necessity of opening up of the wells immediately.

The Municipal Commissioner said there were 1,674 wells in the city, out of which only 240 applications were received by the Municipality for permission to open. If the landlords do not open the wells, the Government might take up the question under the Defence of India Act. He had already issued orders that there should be no delay in opening of the wells and there was necessity to wait for the permission of the Municipality to open the wells. The landlords can open the wells first and then apply to the Municipality.

The resolution was carried.

The House also considered a letter from the Municipal Commissioner regarding the augmentation of water supply in the city. The Hydraulic Engineer had prepared two schemes which will be placed before a committee consisting of Sir M. Visvesvaraya and Mr. C. C. Inglis. The Corporation accorded the sanction asked for by the Municipal Commissioner to place the schemes before the aforesaid committee.

'ESSENTIAL SERVICES'

Employment in connection with the maintenance or working of the following concerns or bodies has been declared by the Government of Bombay under the Essential Services (Maintenance) Ordinance to be essential for securing public safety and maintenance of supplies and services necessary for the life of the community:

The Bombay Port Trust; the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay; the Bombay Electric Supply and Tramways Co., Ltd.; the Bombay Telephone Co., Ltd., Kerosene installations of the Burma-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Ltd., at Sewree, Bombay; Benzine installation of the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Ltd., at Sewree, Bombay; Fuel oil installations of the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Ltd., at Wadi Bunder, Bombay; Installation of the Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Distributing Company of India, Ltd., at the Aircraft Service Station, Juhu (Bombay Suburban District); Petrol installation of the Standard Vacuum Oil Company, Ltd., at Wadala, Bombay; Kerosene installation of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., Ltd., at Sewree, Bombay; Mazagaon Black Oil installation of the Standard Vacuum Oil Co., Ltd., at Hay Bunder, Bombay; Petrol installation of Caltex (India) Ltd., at Wadala, Bombay; Kerosene installation of Caltex (India) Ltd., at Sewree, Bombay; and Diesel oil installation of Caltex (India) Ltd., at Hay Bunder Bombay.

The officers in charge of these concerns (specially designated for the purpose have been authorised to forbid persons in their employment to leave any area or areas mentioned by them.

TEA PARTY TO SIR C. B. MEHTA

At a tea party given in honour of Sir Chunilal B. Mehta by Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee at the Cricket Club of India. Sir. Purushotamdas Thakurdas paid glowing tributes to the guest and recapitulated the meritorious services rendered to the city, community and the country at large, ever since he came down from his native place of Bhavnagar.

Sir Chunilal thanking the hosts for the honour done to him said it was unfortunate that Britain did not realise the importance of giving military training to Indians. It is, however, not too late he concluded if Britain makes a bold gesture and do the needful to meet India's demands.

Red Cavalry Breaks Through Nazi Lines

Increasing Soviet Pressure On Kharkov And Leningrad Fronts: 96,000 Germans Trapped

MOSCOW, Feb. 26.

Ninety-six thousand Germans were trapped in an area around Staraya Russa which has been surrounded by the Red Army and where mopping up and liquidation of strong points is rapidly proceeding.

NAZI LINE PIERCED

A Russian Cavalry unit is reported to have pierced the German lines both north and south of Kharkhov.

On the Leningrad sector the Russian army is increasing its pressure on the battered remnants of the 16th German Army, which is encircled in the Staraya Russa region. Fockets of enemy resistance are being liquidated one after another.

A supplement to the Moscow 'communique' reports of new successes around Rzhev, where thirteen more towns and villages have been liberated in one day's battle.

In the Ukraine successful operations by a single Russian unit has led to the annihilation of 220 German officers and men, destruction of enemy transports, the blowing up of a munition dump and the capture of large quantities of war materials.

On the southern front in one sector after ten days' fighting Soviet troops killed 3,000 German officers and men.

HEAVY FIGHTING

A supplementary Soviet 'communique' indicates that heavy fighting continues on the Kharkov-Orel Front as well as further south, though Smolensk and Leningrad battles are not mentioned. Severe German losses in manpower and equipment are reported.

The Russians in one sector of the Ukraine, for instance, destroyed during ten days' fighting 10 tanks, 79 guns of various calibres, 70 trench-mortars, 50 machine-guns, 5 anti-tank guns, 107 lorries and 92 waggons laden with war material. The Nazis lost 3,000 killed. Six German tanks were put out of action by one heavy machine gun unit alone.

Soviet guerillas are harrying the Germans in the Kursk region between Orel and Kharkov, ambushing small parties, raiding billets, and seizing stores of arms. In one daring attack a force of ten guerillas attacked a village and after killing 29 Germans got away with "important secret documents" besides much small arms booty.

BATTLE FOR RANGOON

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tang river at any moment. The latest Army 'communique' from Rangoon reports substantial Japanese movements on the east bank, though so far they have made no attempt to cross.

Powerful Japanese reinforcements are known to be arriving from Siam and Indo-China. The Japanese seem prepared to suffer heavy casualties for they know that if they succeed in crossing the river they will overcome the last natural barrier to Rangoon. Then with the fall of Pegu they would be able forthwith to swerve southwest towards Rangoon which is only fifty-four miles from Pegu.

Meanwhile the tense drama of the battle for Rangoon should not divert attention from northwest Indo-China where Japanese fouces reinforced may at any moment clash with powerful Chinese armies in the Southern Shan States.

Raids On Ports And Aerodromes In Java

BATAVIA:— To-day's N.E.I. 'communique' reports air activity by both N.E.I. forces and the Japanese with both sides losing some aircraft. An N.E.I. raid on Tuesday on Palembang started fires on an airfield where it was observed that oil installations set on fire on February 15th were still burning nine days later. The next day in the course of another attack on Palembang N.E.I naval planes bombed enemy storage yards near Oesthaven in southern Sumatra where a number of fires were started. One enemy fighter was presumably shot down. One N.E.I. bomber failed to return.

The Japanese carried out several raids on aerodromes and ports in Java and in the course of one attack lost one NAVY ZERO machine and one bomber for the loss of two N.E.I. fighters. A large number of Japanese bombers attacked another western Java aerodrome, many bombs falling in the fields. There was no damage to buildings or aircraft and there were no casualties.

HEAVY ATTACK ON SOURABAYA

"A great number of enemy bombers" with fighter escort set fire to only two petrol dumps in fierce attacks on port Tandjong Priok. Some enemy planes were presumably hit. Simultaneously Sourabaya sustained a heavy attack in which some damage was done, seven civilians were killed, nineteen seriously injured and two slightly wounded. One enemy bomber and one enemy fighter were destroyed.

Fighting in south Celebes continues with unabated fierceness. Sinkang in western Borneo was occupied by the Japanese advancing from Pontianak. It is assumed that Banka Island has been occupied by the Japanese as well as part of the residency of Benkoelen (western part of South Sumatra) and Tandjong Karang in south Sumatra.

An American submarine torpedoed two enemy transports, one auxiliary vessel and one freighter in N.E.I. waters and it is also believed hit an enemy warship.

Gateway To Indian Ocean Threatened

Reuter's Special Correspondent in Batavia writes:—

With a large part of southern Sumatra in Japanese hands, the Sunda Straits dividing Sumatra from Western Java—the normal gateway from the Indian Ocean to the Western Java sea—is now directly threatened. The Japanese are supplementing their positional threat to Java's communications by air-raids on the harbours of Batavia and Sourabaya which are now almost daily objectives. There is again no news of the situation in Bali, but it is believed that fighting continues. Though the Japanese now dominate the southern part of the Island, they apparently by no means control it completely.

Stand Up And Fight

"The time for destruction and withdrawal is ended", said Mr. Dr. Van Mook, Lieutenant-Governor-General of the N.E.I. in a broadcast last night. "The time for holding out and attacking has now come", he continued. He announced that the foreign troops would remain and the supply of reinforcements would be maintained. "There is no fight without a reasonable chance of victory", he added. "Let us prove what we are worth in the few months that separate us from a really large-scale allied effort".

Australian Raid On Rabaul

CANBERRA:— An R.A.A.F 'communique' states:— "About noon to-day enemy aircraft made a reconnaissance of the Darwin at a great height.

During a violent electrical storm Australian planes raided Rabaul aerodromes. Numerous bombs were dropped and several fires started among buildings. Two enemy planes were destroyed on the ground. An enemy fighter which attempted to intercept was driven off. There was anti-aircraft fire from ground batteries and ships in the harbour. All planes returned safely".

"The Australian Air Force carried out reconnaissance over New Britain yesterday", says a 'communique' issued by the Air Minister Mr. Drakeford to-day. "Despite heavy rain and some fighter opposition, all aircraft returned safely to their base. Hostile aircraft were over Port Moresby yesterday. They were engaged by anti-aircraft fire at a great height".—Reuter.

P. V. B. Will Protect Public In Emergency

SEVEN COMMITTEES FORMED TO DIRECT ITS VARIOUS ACTIVITIES

At a meeting of the general body of the Peoples' Volunteer Brigade held at the Jinnah Hall, Bombay on Thursday evening the aims and objects of the brigade and other questions relating thereto were explained by Mr. Bhulabhai Desai and Mr. S. K. Patil, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, presided.

Mr. S. K. Patil addressing the meeting said that the brigade was formed to protect and ensure the safety of citizens. The various organisations in the city were requested to give their co-operation and send their suggestions. As a result, the various commercial associations, trade unions and students' unions had assured full co-operation. The Hindu Maha Sabha, had offered to co-operate on certain terms. The reply from the Muslim was being awaited.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai remarked that they were passing through critical times. Woeful accounts were pouring in daily of the numerous sufferings of the civil populations of those places which were victims of bombing.

The object of the People's Volunteer Brigade was to give protection to the citizens and serve them in times of emergency. The first duty of the Brigade would be to assist the citizens in regard to evacuation. Evacuation should be so arranged as to avoid inconvenience and hardship and not to create panic. On the other hand, in order to secure that the limits of their resources of aid and relief were not reached they must see that those who remained in the city were only those whose presence was essential including those who had to earn their livelihood. Mr. Bhulabhai then described the functions which the Committees to be appointed would perform. In reply to a question by Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said that there would be no overlapping of the activities of the Brigade with those of the Civil Defence Committee appointed by the Town Hall meeting.

The speaker exhorted the people not to get panicky in times of danger but to keep cool and collected.

He urged the people to give the P.V.B. their full co-operation and support.

Mr. S. K. Patil then outlined the activities of the P.V.B. and said that the city would be divided into 104 circles He detailed the activities of the various departments of the P.V.B. and said that 50,000 volunteers would be required. The response from the public so far was very encouraging.

SPECIAL PATROL CORPS

The speaker emphasised that special patrol corps would be formed from among the volunteers to ensure against looting during troublous times. Mr. Patil emphasized that the main idea was to work in co-operation with all similar organisations. There was no question of conflict with any organisations. They had suggested that the A. R. P. work in Bombay should be organised on non-official bases with Government aid and, in the alternation arrangements would be made to work in co-operation with the A. R. P. on honourable terms.

Mr. Purshottamdas Tricumdas suggested that there was need of a Vigilance Committee to safeguard the citizens from harassment.

COMMITTEES

The meeting then appointed seven different committees to carry out its various activities.

The following are the names of the committees and their respective office-bearers.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee; Secretaries, Messrs. Hiralal Dave and Manilal G. Desai.

RESCUE COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Dr. Jos Alban De Souza; Secretaries, Dr. T. B. Narvane and Mr. K. L. Borkar.

EVACUATION COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Secretaries, Messrs. Koregaonker and K. S. Subramaniam

RELIEF COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Mr. Mangaldas M. Pakvasa; Secretaries, Messrs. Jinnabhai Joshi and Dr. D. D. Sathye.

TRANSPORT COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Mr. Dayabhai Patel; Secretaries, Messrs. Ishwarbhai Patel and M. D. Vora.

VIGILANCE COMMITTEE:—Chairman, Mr. Purshottamdas Tricumdas; Secretaries, Messrs. V. S Dongre and B. N. Maheshwari.

At the suggestion of Mr. V. S. Dongre it was decided to have one Muslim Secretary for each of the committees.

CUTTACK:—Mr. Asoka Das, son of Pandit Nilkanta Das, M.L.A., Central, has been arrested under the Defence of India Rules in connection with a speech delivered by him on "Independence Day". Mr. Das is the Organising Secretary of the Forward Bloc in Orissa.

CUT THIS OUT & KEEP IT

Protecting Yourself

INDOORS

DURING AN ATTACK

EVERY citizen of Bombay must know how to secure his own protection indoors. The first rule is to get into a building, and find the safest place, as soon as the Warning Siren is heard—a wailing up-and-down note. Then prepare yourself in case the bombs or shells begin to fall near-by.

KEEP AWAY FROM DOORS AND WINDOWS

Fragments of high-explosive missiles spread outwards and upwards: therefore you are safest on the floor—at least keep your head below window level. Machine-gun bullets and pieces of anti-aircraft shell fall downwards: therefore you are safest as far into the centre of the building as you can get.

OPEN ALL GLASS WINDOWS CLOSE ALL WOODEN SHUTTERS

Explosions generate a tremendous force in the atmosphere called "blast". It can damage your lungs if you are in its track—another reason for keeping below window level. "Blast" will also send any glass in its path flying in jagged splinters. The glass from open windows is least likely to fly towards you.

IF YOUR BUILDING IS HIT

DON'T run out into the street! It is millions to one against a second direct hit on the same building; but you are still in the danger zone and most likely to be injured by falling fragments of anti-aircraft shell out of doors. Secure your own position if necessary by moving closer to an undamaged wall, under a doorway for preference.

If you are covered with *debris*, keep still unless you can see your way clear to get out without danger. If you can't see, or move, conserve all your energy to make yourself heard by the rescue parties.

DON'T try to use the telephone during an attack.

DON'T move outside until the All Clear Siren has sounded (a long, steady note).

BOMBAY MUST NOT BURN!

If there is no Building Warden, someone must quickly go to:

Turn off gas at house-mains—thus lessening the risk of extensive fire.

Fill all buckets and open vessels with water—in case a water-main is broken during the attack.

Put out all lights which spoil the perfection of your black-out.

Trained individuals must promptly take their places as:

Fire-watchers on the roof or in the upper stories, as they have been instructed.

Fire-fighting party, with equipment, in contact with each fire-watcher.

On each floor, and as far as possible in each room, have ready *buckets of water and sandbags* to extinguish fires or to smother incendiary bombs before they start fires.

EVERYONE should learn the simple actions required to deal with an incendiary bomb. The few seconds that are saved by the nearest person getting a sandbag on top of the incendiary bomb before the fire-party reaches it can stop a serious fire from burning out the building.

IF IN DOUBT, ASK YOUR WARDEN

Meet him at your nearest Warden Post between 6.0 & 9.0 p.m. any evening.

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TATA HYDRO-ELECTRIC AGENCIES, LTD.

Total Units Generated

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for The Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd., The Andhra Valley Power Supply Co. Ltd., and The Tata Power Company, Limited, report that the total electrical (Board of Trade) units generated at the three Power Stations of the Hydro Group and purchased from the Cholai Steam Station were as follows:—

9th Week (ended February 28th)	
1940	15,401,700
1941	18,102,500
1942	19,387,633
Total for 8 Weeks (1st January to date)	
1940	113,549,700
1941	140,698 800
1942	156,595,133

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay, February 25

Groundnuts February—			
Opening	Rs	45 12	6
Highest		45 14	0
Lowest		45 8	0
Closing		45 8	0
Groundnuts May—			
Opening		44 10	6
Highest		44 13	6
Lowest		44 4	6
Closing		44 5	0
Castorseeds May—			
Opening		41 14	0
Highest		41 10	0
Lowest		41 14	0
Closing		41 12	0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening		25 4	0
Highest		25 6	0
Lowest		25 3	0
Closing		25 3	6

BOMBAY PRODUCE

Bombay, February 26

In sympathy with steadiness of cotton market, the Seeds market was fairly steady but later on there was scattered selling. Speculative interest is decreasing but steady buying by the British Food Ministry is having steady influence. Groundnuts May opened at Rs. 44/10/6 and after advancing to Rs 44/12 declined to Rs. 44/10. Cottonseeds May also after touching Rs. 25/5 ruled quiet at Rs. 25/4. Linseed May after improving to Rs. 9/2 sagged to Rs. 9/1/6 and Wheat May was quoted at Rs. 7/3/9. The tone was quietly steady.

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, February 25

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	115	0 0
Copper sheets	Rs.	117	0 0

Tone:—Steady.

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, February 25

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 123 28 118 35 117 42 116 49-56 115

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 111 24 105 28 106 35 96 42 95 49-56 54

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 75 Rosita Rs. 72 Country make Rs. 60 Pigtead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 34/4 per cwt.

SETTLEMENT RATES

Copper sheets Chaitra Rs. 117
Pigtead 'B.M.' Ashad Rs. 119
Tin Ingot Penang Ready Rs. 84
Market tone:—Steady.

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay, February 25

Pepper ready	Rs.	114	0 0
Pepper Chitra Sud 15		114	0 0
Pepper Jeth Sud 15		118	0 0
Ginger ready		52	0 0
Ginger Chaitra Sud 15		50	0 0

Imperial Bank Of India

Statement of affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 20th February, 1942:—

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	Rs.
CAPITAL:—		
Authorised—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Issued and Subscribed—2,25,000 shares of Rs. 500 each	11,25,00,000	
Called up—75,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, fully paid	3,75,00,000	
1,50,000 shares of Rs. 500 each, Rs. 125 paid	1,87,50,000	5,62,50,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders—Rs. 375 per share on 1,50,000 shares	5,62,50,000	
Reserve Fund		5,62,50,000
Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other accounts		110,73,29,000
Loans against Securities per contra		
Acceptances for Constituents		
Sundries		63,44,000
RUPEES		122,61,73,000
ASSETS.	Rs.	Rs.
INVESTMENTS:—		
Government Securities	50,22,85,000	
Other authorised investments	1,30,38,000	51,53,23,000
ADVANCES:—		
Loans	9,20,35,000	
Cash Credits and overdrafts	22,83,43,000	
Bills Discounted and purchased	4,02,99,000	36,06,77,000
Liability of constituents for acceptances per contra		
Dead Stock		1,79,87,000
Sundries		52,64,000
Bullion		
CASH:—		
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	20,10,06,000	
Balances with other Banks	2,59,16,000	22,69,22,000
RUPEES		122,61,73,000

Colombo Rubber

Colombo February 26

Price of rubber in the local market was sheet 54 1/2, Crepe 55. Yesterday's closing price was the same. Copra 46.25 cocoanut oil f.o.b. 550.00 nominal.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay, February 25

Linseed May	Rs.	9 1	0
Wheat May		7 5	3

Union Bank Of India, Ltd.

The Directors of the Union Bank of India, Ltd. have issued the 22nd report for the year ended 31st December 1941, for submission to shareholders at the annual meeting to be held on 12th March next at 3-30 p.m. from which the following extracts are gleaned:—

The Directors beg to submit to the shareholders the audited Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31st December 1941:—

The net profit for the year, including the sum of Rs. 1,01,895/0/1 brought forward from last year's account, amounts to Rs. 5,31,857/7/1.

The following amounts have been appropriated to the under-mentioned purposes:—

Amount transferred to Reserve Fund Rs. 1,50,000; amount transferred to Dividend Equalisation Fund Rs. 40,000; amount utilised for writing down Premises account Rs. 6,783/8; amount provided for Income-Tax and Super-Tax Rs. 95,000; amount provided for Bonus to Staff Rs. 12,000. Total Rs. 3,03,783/8.

The balance of Rs. 3,28,103/15/1 the Directors propose to dispose of as follows:—

To pay a dividend of annas 4 and pies 6 per share equal to 5.5/8 per cent per annum (free of income-tax) on 7,96,000 shares Rs. 2,24,437/8; To carry forward the balance to next year's account Rs. 1,03,666/7/1. Total Rs. 6,31,887/7/1.

SHIPPING NEWS.

IMPORTS

Bombay: February 26.

2565 boxes auto parts, 4228 loose wheels and tyres, 1688 loose springs, 38 bdls wheels 48 pkgs paints, 276 cases toilet preparations, 640 drums carbide of calcium, 1433 bags pepper 613 bags China clay, 859 bags cocoanuts, 505 cases window glass, 1140 bdls aloe yarn twine, 106 boxes gear frames, 66 bales cotton yarn, 4635 bags copra, 1207 bdls coir yarn, 100 drums cocoanut oil, 101 bags turmeric, 134 B/bls acetic acid, 876 pkgs rubber, 140 ctns chewing gum, 58 cases porcelainware, 88 bdls bamboo mats, 600 cases perf soap, 7853 bdls box shooks, 46 bdls coir matting, 1809 rolls N P paper, 140 bdls coir fibre 119 dms calcium silicile, 56 tins fat, 151 cases ghee, 123 c/s end fruits, 265 kollis hooka shells, 1736 bdls coir rope, 1455 bags ginger.

G. I. P. Employees' Gift Of A Fighter

The following telegrams have been exchanged between His Excellency the Governor of Bombay and the Minister for Aircraft Production, London:

From His Excellency the Governor—"I am sending you Rs. 66,900 being contribution by the employees of the G.I.P. Railway for the purchase of a second fighter plane to be named 'G.I.P. Railway' in the second Bombay Squadron of the R.A.F."

From the Minister for Aircraft Production—"Please convey my warmest thanks to the employees of G.I.P. Railway for their splendid gift of a second fighter aircraft. It will certainly be placed in the second Bombay Spitfire Squadron which your loyal generosity will soon enable us to form."

Latest Commercial

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

JULY

New York: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	18.56
To-day's opening	18.64
Difference	+8
To-day's closing	18.56
Difference	—18

BROACH EXPECTATIONS

April/May	Rs. 192 0 0
July/August	Rs. 201 0 0

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York: Feb. 26.

Following are the New York opening ranges:—

March (not quoted) 18.33/33
May (18.56/56) 18.55/53
July (18.69/68) 18.64/63

LONDON COMMODITIES.

London: Feb. 26.

SEEDS

Castorseeds February/March (£20 5/8 sellers) £20 5/8 sellers
Linseed Bombay/Calcutta February/March (£20 1/16 sellers) £20 sellers
Linseed La Plata February/March (£19) £19 sellers
Groundnut Coromandal Coast February/March (£18 7/8 East Coast India shipment; £19 7/8 West Coast India shipment) To-day's rates unchanged.

LONDON METALS

Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

EXCHANGE:

CROSS RATES.

T.T NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	4.03 3/4
To-day's opening	4.03 3/4

T.T LONDON ON NEW YORK

London: Feb. 26.

Previous closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's opening	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers.
To-day's closing	4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON BULLION.

London: Feb. 26.

London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0

LONDON SILVER

London: Feb. 26.

Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London: Feb. 26.

The London Stock Exchange was mainly steady to-day.

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London: Feb. 26.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £101 3/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

London: Feb. 26.

5 per cent 1958/68 £101

BRITISH FUNDS.

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £83 3/16
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £106 1/16
2 per cent Conversion Loan £99 9/16
4 per cent Funding Loan £115 1/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £105 1/16
3 per cent War Loan £101 1/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds £113

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 15-10 1/2
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 33-4 1/2
Electric Music Industry 13-10 1/2
Princhin Johnson 20-1 1/2
Imperial Chemicals 32-3
Woolsworth New Ordinary 49-7 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £77 1/2
Dundee 25-4 1/2
Unilever Ordinary 26-3
Ford Motors 25-0
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £57 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordy £3 3/4
Carreas 'A' £5 3/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 3/16
P and O Defd 25-4 1/2
Distillers 75-3
Bredford Dyes 8-6
British Celanese 6-6
J and P Coates 36-1 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary 33-0
Fine Cotton Spinners 5-1 1/2
Vickers Limited Ordinary 16-3
Inter Nickel 41 5/8
Indian Iron 31-3

TEA SHARES

Assam 10-7 1/2
Donaro Tea 21-3
Empire of India 12-6

JUTE

Barnagore £6 nominal

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch Rubber 8-9
Gula Kelampong 8-1 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv. Trust 10-6

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 15-0
Burma Corporation 3-0
Rio Tintos £8
East Rand Properties £1 15/16
Rand Mines £6 3/4

MINE SHARES

Crown £9 1/4
Associated Portland Cement 48-1 1/2
Trinidad Leasehold 68-1 1/2
Sub-Nigel £6 1/2
Spring Mines Split Shares £1 1/32
Union Corporation 135-0

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 36-10 1/2
Anglo-India 40-0
Burma Oil £1 1/2
Mexican Eagle 13-4 1/2
Shell Transport £1 15/16
Royal Dutch £14

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £39 3/4
London Midland Ordinary £17
London North Eastern Defd £2
London Southern Defd £14 7/8
London Transport 5 per cent £129
London Transport £38 1/2

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York: Feb. 26.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors (dol 33 3/4) dol 33 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mines (dol 26 7/8) dol 26 3/4
United States Steel Common (dol 51 1/2) dol 51 1/4
United States Steel Pref (unquoted) dol 115 1/4.

TRANSFER RATES

	March	April
Dyeing	1149/8	1155
Nagpur	353/4	355
Century	371/2	373
Colaba	181/2	182
T. Steel Defd.	1621/12	1630
T Steel Ord.	302/8	304

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Error in yesterday's Half-Column must first be corrected. The gentleman from the show involved in the fracas which benefitted the "Sixth of November" Account by Rs. 500 was NOT THE PRODUCER. The term "Producer" in the show business is only applied to the top man. Sorry, MR. PRODUCER, we hope you'll overlook the mistakes of every day journalism.

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Gestapo Agent P.Q. 13 reveals that the Half-Column is going to figure very prominently in the next issue of 'Blitz' on Saturday, but, then, when has it not? The learned Chinese doctor, Gestapo reveals, is only the pen-name of a local journalist. How long has he had this pen name, I wonder? And do pen-names have (honorary?) doctorates attached to them? I think the journalist has done a good job of this visit of the Chiang Kai-sheks. But, Mr. Editor of 'Blitz', you should have left it at that. Instead of which "Dr Lin Kai" (the quotation marks are mine and if it was a pen-name they should have been used by 'Blitz') sends "a message to India"—(a message to India from the 'Blitz' office!) thanking India for the way it has received the India-China number! The letter is signed—(Sd.)—Lin Kai. What inference did you expect your readers to draw from such a letter signed by LIN-KAI without the inverted commas? Is it not that you had wanted your readers to believe that you scooped the Chiang Kai-shek visit by getting a learned Chinese doctor, who claims to have known of the visit of Chiang Kai-shek's one month before they arrived? Says Lin Kai: "...the Generalissimo wished it kept secret" but may I ask whether the 'Marshal himself knew "over a month ago" that he was coming to India? Seeing that the rapidity with which things have moved in the Far East, I doubt if the Marshal could have made plans a month ahead.

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So, Mr. Editor of 'Blitz', when you call other people's efforts "Froth and Mash" (and I know only one man who could have thought of that unkind title) you must also take it like a man when your great scoop is revealed by my Gestapo (reliable fellow that!) as an afterthought taking advantage of coincidence (a lucky coincidence which I do not grudge you) but a coincidence none the less. It was no scoop. It was just froth and mash.

* * *

So let's have an answer to these questions:

(1) Was Lin Kai a Chinese doctor?
(2) If it was a pen-name, why the doctorate?
(3) Do you still maintain you knew about the visit of the Chiang Kai-sheks over a month before they arrived?
(5) Where is Dr. Lin Kai now? In the 'Blitz' office or back in Chungking? If he is still in the 'Blitz' office, why "the message to India"?

I have got plenty more questions but not enough space.

Yarn Market Dull On Increased Selling Pressure

Bombay, February 25

There is nothing of special interest to report so far as the yarn market is concerned and whilst prices have remained nominally steady in almost all kinds of yarns the undertone has continued to remain very dull and uninteresting. In case of Indian yarns prices have declined further on account of continued pressure of sales from almost all important producing centres and also due to absence of satisfactory exports during the week. Turnover is naturally very limited on account of continued nervousness amongst the dealers and consumers as a result of the unfavourable political developments in the Far East. Cotton prices have remained rather steady after a heavy decline during the last few days and it seems as though the decline will be arrested on account of the recent decision of the Government of India to purchase short staple cotton at a certain level of prices. This will naturally create confidence amongst cotton dealers and will perhaps benefit the farmers to a certain extent. So far as the yarns are concerned although the stocks are not heavy at least for near deliveries, anxiety is constantly felt by the dealers and consumers to unload their holdings even at a loss on account of continued unfavourable political developments. In the midst of all these, the latest news about arrests of large number of merchants all over the Punjab as a result of the Sale Tax campaign has produced a further depressing effect on the market particularly because Punjab is one of the important consuming districts of all yarns. As regards Calcutta, enquiries have definitely increased but the turnover continues to remain very limited. In case of C.P., U.P., and other markets, prices have remained easy with an uncertain tone. In case of Southern Indian markets, the latest reports go to show that after a continued heavy decline in prices, market has once again become steady. As regards export markets on account of absence of shipping facilities no fresh forward business been possible as the sellers are not inclined to enter into any fresh commitments so long as the political condition remains unfavourable. Purchases by the Supply Department are however large and that is the only ray of hope at the present moment. Future course of the market is likely to remain unsatisfactory so long as the War news is not encouraging.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS: Prices in artificial silk yarns as well as in staple fibre yarn have remained practically unchanged during the whole past week with a very quiet undertone at the close. Enquiries from the Punjab have considerably fallen off on account of the arrests of several leading merchants as a result of the Sale Tax Hartal and naturally therefore no fresh purchases have been made from the Punjab in this class of yarns. Looking to the very limited stocks and absence of arrivals, the present level of prices is very cheap and attractive. Any favourable news from the War front is likely to create sharp advance in prices.

THE VICEROY'S WAR PURPOSES FUND

February 26.

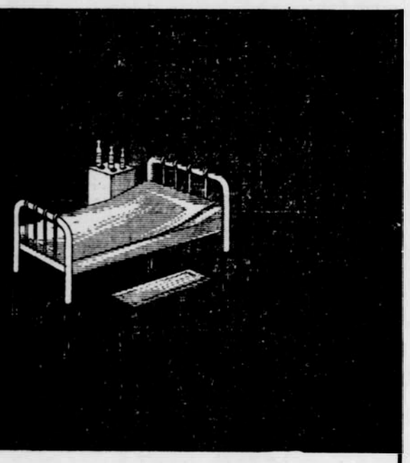
The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund has now reached a figure of Rs. 6,06,88,256. His Excellency gratefully acknowledges this splendid voluntary effort. The position of the Fund on January, 31, 1942, was.—

	Rs. (lakhs)
Total payments	524 78
Sums earmarked and awaiting payment	41.16
Free Balance	40.94
GRAND TOTAL	606.88

Contributions for the following objects would be particularly welcome:—

Amenities for the fighting forces.
Benevolent Funds of the fighting forces (Indian & British).
Indian Red Cross.
Welfare of Indian merchant seamen.

A BANKER'S ORDER WILL BE FOUND ON ANOTHER PAGE.



AN INVITATION...

A horrid idea, we admit, to be invited by an empty bed in a hospital or nursing home! But let's look reality in the eye. If you neglect a cough, that's just where you'll end up.

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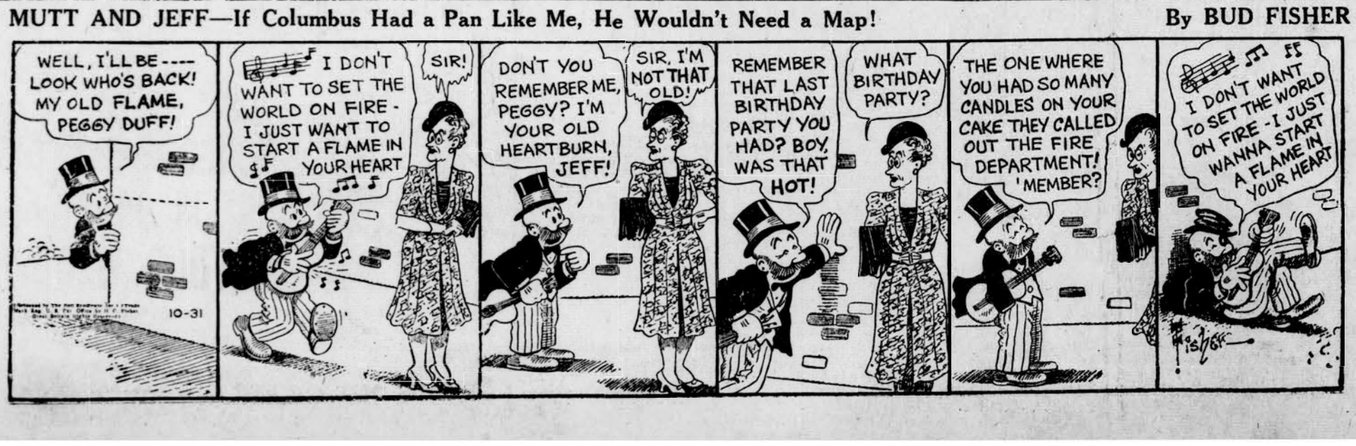
MUTT AND JEFF—If Columbus Had a Pan Like Me, He Wouldn't Need a Map! By BUD FISHER


WELL, I'LL BE---- LOOK WHO'S BACK! MY OLD FLAME, PEGGY DUFF!
I DON'T WANT TO SET THE WORLD ON FIRE - I JUST WANT TO START A FLAME IN YOUR HEART
SIR!
DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME, PEGGY? I'M YOUR OLD HEARTBURN, JEFF!
SIR, I'M NOT THAT OLD!
REMEMBER THAT LAST BIRTHDAY PARTY YOU HAD? BOY, WAS THAT HOT!
WHAT BIRTHDAY PARTY?
THE ONE WHERE YOU HAD SO MANY CANDLES ON YOUR CAKE THEY CALLED OUT THE FIRE DEPARTMENT! 'MEMBER?
I DON'T WANT TO SET THE WORLD ON FIRE - I JUST WANNA START A FLAME IN YOUR HEART
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LOCAL SELLING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET

President Roosevelt Opposes Farm Bill

Bombay, February 26

On Wednesday, the New York cotton market was easy on prospects of the Washington administration continuing sales of cotton. It is reported President Roosevelt opposes the pending Farm Bill prohibiting sales of Government stocks below parity.

The market sagged on local selling and commission house liquidation. The decline met less aggressive trade demand. Finally New Orleans selling appeared and the market was barely steady.

At the opening July was quoted 6 points down at 18.68. During the first hour there was moderate buying and prices improved and May was quoted 18.60 which was the highest level. Thereafter there was persistent selling and May declined to 18.44 which was the lowest level. The market closed at a net decline of 14 to 22 points. Spot cotton prices declined 13 points at 20.07c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was easy on increased selling pressure and closed at a decline of 17 to 25 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 18 points at 19.10c. per lb.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York May highest (10-59 a.m.)	18.60—01
New York May lowest (2-53 p.m.)	18.44—17

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:—

New York: Market declined on possibility Government continuing sales from stocks as at present.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, February 25

March	18.31—14
May	18.46—15
July	18.56—18
October	18.50—22
December	18.66—20
January	18.68—20
Middling Spot	20.07—13

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, February 26

March	18.32—17
May	18.50—17
July	18.60—21
October	18.78—25
December	18.83—23
January	18.95—22
Middling Spot	19.10—18

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, February 26

	Noon	Call
March		18.41
May		18.58
July		18.70

LONDON SEEDS
London, February 25

Rosario Santa Fe Feb/Mar quoted 22/4 1/2
Barletta Russo Feb/Mar quoted 22/6
South Australian Wheat Feb/Mar quoted 27/6

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, February 25

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£68 1/2
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£101 3/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£83 3/16
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£106 1/8
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£105 1/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£115 1/4
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£113
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£5
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg)	£51
National Bank of India	£24 1/2

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BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Scattered Selling

Bombay, Feb. 26.

The local Share Bazar was quiet with increased selling and buyers were reluctant: Associated Cement shares were quietly steady at Rs. 164. Kohinoor Mill shares changed hands at Rs. 469. Gokak Mill shares were placed at Rs. 240. Scindia shares were quoted at Rs. 17-10 and B. B. Petrols were quoted at rupee one.

Wall Street was uneven and was handicapped by lack of leadership with the inability of steels and motors to extend the recovery inviting general selling. Fraction declines predominated but aircrafts and coppers gained slightly. The market closed easy. U. S. Steel shares declined 3/8 at 51-1/4. Anaconda Coppers declined 1/4 at 26-5/8 and general motors were 1/4 down at 33-5/8 dollars.

The local market outlook remains uncertain and traders are awaiting war developments.

Towards the close there was some selling and Associated Cement shares declined to Rs 162. Tone was quiet.

TEXTILES

100	Ahmedabad Advance	297 0
250	BOMBAY DYEING	1100 0
100	CENTURY	350 0
100	CENTRAL INDIA	330 0
100	Colaba	180 0
100	Coorla	120 0
250	Dawn	562 0
250	David	325 0
1	E. D. Sassoon Defd	2 4 6
100	FINLAY	190 0
100	GOKAK	238 0
1000	Hindustan	2525 0
100	Indore	210 0
100	Khatau	220 0
100	KOHINOOR	462 0
250	LAXMI	620 0
100	Madhusudan	350 0
100	MORARJI	455 0
250	Model	206 4
50	MYSORE	232 0
200	NEW GREAT	275 0
100	Podar	105 0
100	Phoenix	482 0
25	Sassoon Silk	80 8
1000	Sholapur	6395 0
50	SIMPLEX	180 0
100	SWADESHI	381 0
100	SWAN	215 0
600	Vishnu	1435 0
1000	Western	1500 0

BANKS

50-100	Baroda	108 8
25-50	Central India	38 8
500	Imperial	1391 0
125-500	Imp. Cont.	325 0
50-100	India	132 0
100	Reserve Bank	99 0
5	Union	5 14

CEMENTS

100	ASSOCIATED K.D.	162 0

INSURANCE

10-50	British India	13 0
100	Empire	756 4
15-100	Jupiter	12 8
20	Mercantile	55 0
15-75	New India	37 0
200	Oriental	3600 0
10-50	Vulcan	8 15 0

ELECTRIC

100	Ahmedabad Old K.D.	168 12
1000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1627 0
10	Ajmer	12 8
50	BOMBAY TRAMS	129 0
100	Bombay Suburban	181 0
10	Broach	13 6
100	Karachi	208 12
100	Poona	217 0
100	Surat	179 0
100	TATA HYDRO	185 0
1000	TATA POWER	1415 0

RAILWAYS

600	Ahmedabad Prantij	870 0
100	C. Province	104 0
100	Dhond Baramati	104 0
100	Gujarat	102 0
100	Mandra Bhon	104 0
100	Pachora Jamner	93 0
100	Sara Sirajganj	107 0
500	Tapti Valley	641 0

MININGS

9	Burma Corporation	1 12 0
2sh.	Indian Copper	1 8 6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	22 4
30	SHIVRAJPUR	31 8
10	Mukund Iron	13 0
40	TATA STEEL DEFD	1525 0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	285 0
10	Steel Corporation	13 8

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	605 0
10	Air Services	3 14
50	BELAPUR SUGAR	218 0
200	Bombay Safe Deposit	650 0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	291 0
100	B. BURMA	225 0
50	Contributory	75 0
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	1 2
100	IND. BLEACHING	175 0
50	Ind. Invest. Trust	48 8
100	Indian Radio Def	360 0
100	Indian Radio Ord.	630 0
100	Port Canning	70 0
30	PREMIER CONSTRUCTION	109 8
15	Scindia	17 1
24	Tata Oil	48 0
24	Tata Chemical	14 4
100	Wimco	206 0

PREFERENCE

7	p.c. Andhra Valley	1552 0
6	p.c. Bom. Steam	325 0
7	p.c. Bom. Tram (T.F.) X.D.	75 8
5	p.c. Central India (T.F.)	650 0
6 1/4	p.c. Premier Consd. 1st	121 0
6 1/4	p. c. Premier Const. 2nd	116 0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	155 12
7 1/2	p.c. Tata Power	1595 0
6	p.c. Tata Steel 1st	205 0
7 1/2	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd	163 8
7	p.c. Vishnu	715 0

DEBENTURES

4	p.c. Andhra Valley Deb.	106 12
4	p.c. Bom. Telephone	50 2
5	p.c. Morarji	104 0
5	p.c. Sholapur	73 4
4	p.c Tata Power Deb.	105 8

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, February 26

T T London on:—
New York 4.02 1/2 sellers 4.03 1/2 buyers
Madrid 40.5 official 46.55 voluntary rate
Montreal 4.43 sellers 4.47 buyers
Zurich 17.3 sellers 17.4 buyers
Stockholm 16.85 sellers 16.95 buyers

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, February 26

2 3/4	per cent 1948/52 93
3 1/2	per cent G P Notes 87/4
3	per cent 1949/52 Loan 95/8
3	per cent 1949/52 Loan 94/14
4	per cent 1960/70 Loan 101
4	per cent 1943 Bonds 101/12
3	per cent War Bonds 96/8
3 1/2	per cent 1947/50 96/8
4 1/2	per cent 1955 Loan 107

TAX FREE LOANS

5	per cent 1945/55 Loan 103/8
4	per cent 1953/63 Mysore 111
5	per cent 1955 Mysore 122

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4	per cent B P T 1947 100
4	per cent M Deb 1947 101
5	per cent M Deb 1959 109
5	per cent M Deb 1954 121
6	per cent K P T 1956 120

Trend:—All rates are nominal.
Tone: Easier.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, February 26

LONDON:—
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 2 months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Four months.
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Three months.
B. C. RATES:—
T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32, D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32: D D 1/6 5/32
NEW YORK:—
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4: D D Rs 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2; D D Rs. 326 1/2
Cross Rates Dol 4.02 1/2; 3 1/2
MONTREAL:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2; D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 1/4: D D Rs. 293 3/4
Cross Rates Dol. 4.43/47.
JAVA:—
Banks selling T T Gld 55 3/4; D D Gld 56
Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2: D D Gld 58
Cross Rates Gld 7.58/62
BERNE:—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4; D D nil.
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2: D D nil.
Cross Rates Fcs 17.30/40.
STOCKHOLM:—
Banks selling T T K 123; D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128: D D K 128
Cross Rates K 16.85/95
MEXICO:—
Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D Rs. 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04: D D Rs. 62.04
Cross Rates Pes 19.5 21.5
LISBON:—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nominal; D D Esc 7.35 nominal.
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55
Cross Rates Esc 99.80 100.20
NEW YORK:—
Cross Rate Dol. 4.03 3/4
AUSTRALIA:—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8; D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T nil; D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Quiet.
Gold £8-8-0 Ready.
New York Silver 35 1/8
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward.
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call 1/4 per cent.
1 to 2 months 1/2 per cent.
3 to 5 months 3/4 per cent.
6 months 1 per cent.
Tone:—Easy.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, February 26

Sentiment continued bearish on the market to-day and prices were further depressed. Tata Deferreds after opening at 1365 dropped down to 1340 while Tata Ordinaries eased off to 250. Amongst textiles, Bombay Dyeings were quoted lower at 1070. Indian Irons were somewhat easier at 22.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:—

Tata Deferreds (1370) 1365 1340
Tata Ordinaries (257) 256 250
Tata Ordinary 250; Tata Deferred 1340; Indian Iron 22; Steel Corpn of Bengal 13/4; Bombay Dyeing 1070; Central India 330; Century 350; Gokak 236/4; Kohinoor 465; Simplex 160; Andhra Valley 1600; Tata Hydro 155; Tata Power 1405; Associated Cement 162/8; Belapur 217/8; Bombay Burma (old) 210.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, February 25

The Stock Exchange was rather subdued on Burma retreat and Mr. Churchill's shipping losses, apart from industrials, which ruled firm on fair support with fair gains in tobaccos, breweries, stores and also cortaulds. Giltedged paused occasionally receding slightly, home rails inclined reactionary, oils quiet, Anglo-Iranian and Burmas declining 3/32. Argentine rails firmer meeting more attention, Kaffirs responded to Cape inquiry. Teas again inclined easier. Wall Street steady.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, February 26

Following a decline of 18 points in New York cotton futures, the local market was expected to open at Rs. 192 for Broach A/M delivery but the market opened very steady. It is anticipated Sir Cripps will make attempts to solve Indian problem. The market ignored the weakness of New York and there being settlement of weekly Tejimandi Broach A/M was quoted at Rs. 194 at the opening and improved to Rs. 194/12 under scattered buying but again declined to Rs. 194/4. Trading was narrow and outside business has decreased.

Under moderate buying prices advanced to Rs. 196 but increased selling appeared and prices reacted to Rs. 194/8 but again rallied to Rs. 195/8.

Thereafter the market was quiet with scattered business and finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

BROACH April/May	Rs.	194 8 0
BROACH July/August		203 8 0
OOMRA March		148 0 0
OOMRA May		155 12 0
OOMRA July		162 4 0
BENGAL March		131 0 0
BENGAL May		135 0 0
BENGAL July		139 0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, February 26

	Extra Sprine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		136	133	130	127
M G Punjab		136	133	130	127
M G Rajputana		142	139	136	133
M G Oomra No. 3	152	149	146	143	
M G C P No. 1	186	183	180	177	
M G C P No. 2	164	161	158	155	
M G Broach No. 2		195	192	189	186

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, February 26

	Old	Ready	Feb
Bengal Fine	116-19	133/36	.....
Berar	114-19	144/47	.....
C. P. 1	134-36	177/79	.....
C. P. 2	117-19	157/55	.....
Khandesh	90-100	114/17	.....
Muglai	96-105	124/27	Fine
Broach	110-15	.....	—6
Broach Low	95-100	.....	.....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, February 26

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY
Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.	Yester day.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	1,892	63,419	84,147
Central India	962	21,428	91,313
Barsi and Nagar	.....	41,305	78,515
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	7,990	26,582
Berar	3,822	145,748	259,588
Central Provinces	1,414	63,741	53,384
Total Oomras	8,090	343,631	593,529
Dholeras	959	26,677	41,777
N W Provinces	.....	1,201	1,055
Rajputana	.....	376	4,273
Sind-Punjab	2,021	313,750	342,476
Broach	5,413	156,787	20,865
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	6,781	30,282
Westerns-Northerns	102	6,564	31,221
Cocoanada	.....	.....	239
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	.....	8,680	522
Total	16,765	826,195	1,666,239
Arrived by road to 19th February 1942	.....	79,500	157,250

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

Bombay, February 25

Broach April/May highest 196 lowest 193 1/4 closing 194

Broach July/August highest 204 1/2 lowest 202 1/2 closing 203

Oomra March highest 150 lowest 148 closing 148 1/2

Oomra May highest 156 3/4 lowest 155 closing 155 1/2

Oomra July highest 162 3/4 lowest 161 closing 161 1/2

Bengal March highest 132 1/2 lowest 130 1/2 closing 131 1/4

Bengal May highest 135 1/2 lowest 134 1/2 closing 135 1/4

Bengal July highest 138 1/2 lowest 137 1/2 closing 138 1/4

COTTON PARITY

Broach April/May below New York May 1,106 cent points at 331

Broach July/August below New York July 1,081 cent points at 331

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Feb. 26.

Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £ 8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 402 1/2 to 403 1/2 at London and 403 3/4 at New York.

London spot and forward Silver prices were unchanged at 23 1/2d. New York cotton prices were unchanged at 35 1/8 cents.

London Bombay spot and forward Silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3. The local market was again firm with moderate buying. There being scarcity of offerings and supply being limited the market is showing steadiness. Quotations were as under:—

	GOLD	SILVER
Ready	50-4-0	80-0-0
Fagon	49-11-0	69-12-0
Sovereign	40-0-0	

LONDON SILVER
London, February 25

Spot	23 1/2
Forward	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD
London, February 25

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£8-8-0

TEJI MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, February 26

Wheat May	0 6 0
Linseed May	0 8 0
Groundnut May	3 4 0
Castorseed May	3 4 0
Cottonseed May	1 10 0
Silver 1st settlement	1 4 0
Gold 1st settlement	0 10 0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, February 26

Fine White Java sugar Rs 15-4-0

Indian sugars ready:—

Ready (ordinary) Rs. 17-8-0 to 17-14-0

Ready (large grain) Rs. 17-14-0 to 18-14-0

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Tone:—Steady.

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"Appointment For Love" Stays On At Regal!

Cinematic romance hits a new peak with the site of its ascent the Regal Theatre where "Appointment for Love" is held over for 2nd week to showcase the talents of Charles Boyer, Margaret Sullavan and a brilliant supporting cast.

Boyer and Miss Sullavan, last teamed in "Back Street," make a radical theme change in their new picture, which reveals them as romantics with a sense of humor. A thoroughly modern background highlights the innovation, for it is laid against the hectic life of Broadway and cafe society.

In "Appointment for Love," Boyer appears as a New York playwright, Miss Sullavan as a chic career woman. The play is a revelation in probing the practical aspects of marriage under such circumstances.

Smartly elaborating the cast are Rita Johnson in the role of an actress; Eugene Pallette, as a roly-poly Broadway playboy; Ruth Terry, Reginald Denny, J. M. Kerrigan, Cecil Kellaway, Roman Bohnen and others. William A. Seiter, director of "Hired wife," "It's a Date," "Nice Girl?" and other hit pictures, directed. Bruce Manning produced for Universal.

Humphrey Bogart and Mary Astor in "The Maltese Falcon" at the Metro.

MIRTH AND MELODY AT THE CAPITOL

Ann Sheridan Stars In "Navy Blue"

"Navy Blues", Warner Bros.' streamlined musical comedy which comes to the Capitol Theatre on Friday, trips the light fantastic from the opening scene to the closing grand finale 106 minutes later.

Here is a compote of mirth, melody, dancing and song hits seasoned well to please the entertainment appetite of the most epicureanized theatre goer.

Choicest plums in this movie desert are the dancing-singing comediennes, Ann Sheridan and Martha Raye, and the boisterous buffoons, Jack Oakie and Jack Haley.

The story which skips around on and off the battleship Cleveland anchored in Hawaiian waters, finds the Jacks hopping about from the frying pan into the fire every time. Their bag of pranks is as full as old Santa's toy sack at Christmas time.

Haley accuses his ex-wife, Martha Raye, of being an international spy and has her thrown into jail. Oakie pawns the ship's trophies and can't get them back. Both clowns kidnap the fleet's champion gun pointer, Herbert Anderson, who has been transferred to their ship, and bet their shipmate's pay checks on the outcome of the target title. When their chicanery doesn't work they get chased all over the island and end up in a couple of hula skirts where they do a swing version of the hula with Ann Sheridan, a bevy of native dancers and the Navy Blues Sextet.

If it's fun you want, "Navy Blues" is your picture!

MYSTERY FILM AT METRO

Humphrey Bogart & Mary Astor Star In "The Maltese Falcon"

A grim story, well mixed with humour and suspense is the cinematic dish which the Metro will serve today when Warner Bros.' new mystery film "The Maltese Falcon" makes its local debut. The picture stars hard-boiled Humphrey Bogart and alluring Mary Astor against a sinister background in which a gang of suave but bloodthirsty criminals match wits with an exceptionally clever detective.

Cold, hard, sometimes cruel, but never without a sense of humour, this detective, played by Bogart, is called upon to bring all his resources into play when his partner is murdered while doing some shadowing for a client. Being naturally skeptical after many years as a private detective Bogart doesn't believe his client, portrayed by Mary Astor, when she tells him what seems a fantastic tale of her runaway sister and a dangerous suitor. He doesn't believe Peter Lorre, in the role of an unctuous curator, who tells Bogart that he will give him a great amount of money for the statue of a bird, maltese falcon.

The picture moves in a breezy manner but is definitely not just another mystery story with clutching claws and creaking doors. It has an exciting but sensible plot that will please those who like their thrills mixed with credibility.

A scene from "Appointment for Love", which is being retained at the Regal for a week more.

SIR "C. P." SAYS:

"University Should Be Nursery Of Freedom & Home Of Discipline"

FUNDAMENTAL UNITIES MUST BE ITS FIRST AND FOREMOST SERVICE TO NATIONAL LIFE

HYDERABAD, Feb. 26.

The peremptory need for the evolution of a truly national spirit and the inescapable necessity to raise a citizen-army were emphasised by Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer, delivering the Convocation Address of the Osmania University to-day.

"With the enemy almost knocking at our doors and with ruthless aggression manifested all about us", Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer went on, "he is blind who does not realise that new and unprecedently grave problems now confront our youth.

The need has risen and is peremptory for the evolution of a truly national spirit. The necessity is also inescapable, in addition to the regular armed forces of the Crown, of a citizen army, not an uneducated and undisciplined rabble but close knit and disciplined groups of patriotic young men who by physical fitness, by scientific training and by a sense of solidarity, will play their part in repelling aggression, physical and psychological, and will help to bring about—God grant that it will be soon—a new era of peace and comradeship.

To such a duty the students of China, situated very much as we have been, with almost all the handicaps from which we labour, racial and communal, have addressed themselves in a manner that the world cannot easily forget.

CHINESE STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS

It was only the other day that I listened with envious admiration to Sir Archibald Clark-Karr who was till recently Ambassador in China and who is shortly proceeding to Russia, when he informed me that teachers and students alike from many centres of learning in China, when their buildings and laboratories were bombed and overthrown, carried on their heads and shoulders, books and furniture and apparatus and all that they could save from the ruin, in bundles and packages and how professors and scholars moved from place to place keeping alive the torch of learning and also succouring the afflicted and rendering social service in the midst of their educational work.

It is a story of epic heroism for which we of the older generation have perchance unfitted ourselves by our training and outlook, but without the manifestation of which amongst the youth of this land, the vindications of India nationhood will be delayed if not frustrated".

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer next spoke of the ideals set before the University at its inception in 1918 and how the choice of an Indian language as the medium of instruction, the adoption of a unitary type of University which would be both an examining and a teaching body and the Translation Bureau as well as the wise provision of residential quarters for as large a number of students as possible, appeared to be the foundations on which this great superstructure was being raised.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer stressed that it was the teachers that made the university and that it was their impact upon the intellect and the emotions of the student that constituted the chief contribution that a university could make to national life.

"Need I remind my listeners that Muslim civilization and Muslim ideals were wholly sympathetic to this outlook and point of view," added Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer, and recalled the story of the Naishapur University wherein there dwelt as fellow scholars at the same time many students who travelled from far off countries to sit at the feet of Imam Mowaffak.

Sir C. P. Ramaswami Iyer quoted abundant evidence to prove that exchange of culture and the friendliness of mutual indebtedness had been persisting in polite literature though they seemed to have lost their power and influence in recent times.

But, he added, it is a matter for profound satisfaction that the Urdu literature of to-day can number among its ornaments not only Hali and Akbar and Iqbal, but also Puran Singh and Premchand.

"The Moghul period is perhaps the finest exemplification of the conscious assimilation of Hindu and Saracenic thought and art form. The Hindustani and Urdu languages are as conspicuous instances as the Taj and Fatepur Sikri.

I have been at some pains to deal with these unifying tendencies and developments, it is for the purpose of enforcing with all the power at my command that in the realms of science, art and literature there have been and should be no mutually exclusive compartments and that the process of osmosis, of adaptation and of assimilation has been going on for mutual advantage and with mutual benefit throughout the ages. Why then should this process now stop short and not be extended to all the activities of life, inner and outer, banishing every form of intolerance and barreuness and short-sightedness and stressing not over differences but over fundamental unities. This, to my mind, is the first and foremost service that universities can render to national life.

He also emphasised that the University should be nursery of freedom as well as the home of discipline.

Sir C. P Ramaswami Iyer paid a tribute to the memory of the late Sir Akbar Hydari, who, he said, "Was an uncommon combination of administrator and patriot uniting, as he did, a sublimated commonsense with a rare feeling for right values and perspective".—A. P.

Khansahib Bismillah Khan, well-known Sanai-Soloist, will give a concert in aid of the Kanara Brotherhood on Sunday next (1st March) at Jinnah Hall.

"GOD FORBID"

A timely documentary "God Forbid", produced at the National Studios, now showing at The Metro, Eros, Regal, Palace and Alexander has a fervent message for the nation.

The Black Eagles of Nazis, wherever they have cast their evil eyes, have brought complete destruction and ruination. They are violating every code of international warfare; the civilian population, churches and hospitals are even not spared from bombing.

Reproduced from M. G. M.'s "Mortal Storm", we have a specimen of the German concentration camps, where people become the target of racial discrimination, and are punished without committing any crime.

The short film then goes to show the peaceful life that is being lived by us in India. "The danger is nearing our shores, let us then be ready to answer the enemy's bullet." The commentary is given by D. F. Karaka.

Sunday Morning Shows

METRO—"Virginia City", featuring Errol Flynn, 10 a.m.
REGAL—"Appointment for Love," 10-30 a.m. (reduced prices).
CAPITOL—"Dodge City", starring Olivia de Havilland and Errol Flynn, 10-30 a.m.

220 GRADUATES RECEIVE DEGREES

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) Feb. 26.
(From Our Correspondent.)

Degrees to 220 graduates were conferred at the annual convocation of the Osmania University held this evening under the presidency of the Nawab of Chattari the Chancellor.

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Honorary degrees of Doctorate of Literature and doctorate of science were conferred on Nawab Mahdiyarjung, vice-Chancellor of the Osmania University and Doctor Raziuddin Siddiqui, Professor of Mathematics of the same university. Among those who received degrees were eight ladies.

Shifting Offices From Fort St. George

MADRAS, Feb. 26.

It is understood that when military requirements need it the civil offices in Fort Saint George may have to be removed outside the fort. This will affect the Government Secretariat, the Accountant General Office, the Currency Office and the Office of the Local Fund Examiner.

The Government are understood to be making arrangements as against this contingency.—United Press.

SHIFTING OF ANDHRA UNIVERSITY TO HYDERABAD?

(From Our Correspondent)
HYDERABAD (Dn.), Feb. 25.

It is learnt that the authorities of the Andhra University have approached the Nizam's Government for permission to shift the University to Hyderabad in view of the present war situation. It is said that the Nizam's Government have consented, and have placed a few buildings of the Osmania University at the disposal of the sister University.

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